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To amend the National and Community Service Act of 1990 to expand and improve opportunities for service, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. REID (for Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. McCAIN, Mr. DODD, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. REID, Mr. GREGG, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BAYH, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. REED, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. BYRD)) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

MARCH 18, 2009

Reported by Ms. MIKULSKI, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

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## A BILL

To amend the National and Community Service Act of 1990 to expand and improve opportunities for service, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

2 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the  
 3 “**Serve America Act**”.

4 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents of  
 5 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

**TITLE I—NATIONAL SERVICE**

**Subtitle A—Service-Learning**

Sec. 111. Youth engagement zones to strengthen communities.

Sec. 112. Campus of Service.

Sec. 113. Service-learning impact study.

**Subtitle B—Supporting Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

Sec. 121. Innovation and entrepreneurship.

**Subtitle C—Serveamerica Corps**

Sec. 131. Corps.

**Subtitle D—Civic Health Index**

Sec. 141. Index.

**Subtitle E—Serveamerica and Encore Fellowships**

Sec. 151. ServeAmerica and Encore Fellowships.

**Subtitle F—Volunteer Generation Fund; National Service Reserve Corps; Call to Service Campaign**

Sec. 161. Statement of purposes.

Sec. 162. Establishment of Volunteer Generation Fund.

Sec. 163. National Service Reserve Corps.

Sec. 164. Call To Service campaign.

**Subtitle G—Conforming Amendments**

Sec. 171. Conforming amendments.

**TITLE II—VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY PROGRAM**

Sec. 201. Findings.

Sec. 202. Definitions.

Sec. 203. Office of Volunteers for Prosperity.

Sec. 204. Authorization of appropriations.

# **TITLE I—NATIONAL SERVICE**

## **Subtitle A—Service-Learning**

### **SEC. 111. YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONES TO STRENGTHEN COMMUNITIES.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) Engaging in service-learning and community service activities at a young age makes individuals more likely to continue to volunteer and engage in service throughout their lives.

(2) High-quality service-learning programs keep students engaged in school and increase the likelihood that they will graduate.

(3) Since its creation, the Learn and Serve America program has allowed more than 15,000,000 students to take part in service-learning activities to improve their communities and schools.

(4) Most schools do not offer service-learning activities, but many students, particularly students at risk of dropping out, express an interest in service-learning.

(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

(1) to provide increased high-quality service-learning opportunities for in-school and out-of-school youth in high-need, low-income communities as a

1 strategy to retain and re-engage youth likely to drop  
 2 out and youth who have dropped out;

3 ~~(2)~~ to encourage more individuals to engage in  
 4 lifetimes of service by teaching young people the  
 5 value of service early in their lives; and

6 ~~(3)~~ to establish youth engagement zones with  
 7 the goal of involving all secondary school students  
 8 served by a local educational agency in service learn-  
 9 ing to solve a specific community challenge, through  
 10 a program that can serve as a model for other com-  
 11 munities.

12 ~~(c) GENERAL AUTHORITY.~~—Part I of subtitle B of  
 13 title I of the National and Community Service Act of 1990  
 14 (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.) is amended—

15 ~~(1)~~ by redesignating subparts B and C as sub-  
 16 parts C and D, respectively;

17 ~~(2)~~ by redesignating sections 115, 115A, 116,  
 18 116A, and 116B as sections 114A through 114E,  
 19 respectively; and

20 ~~(3)~~ by inserting after subpart A the following:

21 **“Subpart B—Youth Engagement Zones to Strengthen**

22 **Communities**

23 **“SEC. 115. GRANT PROGRAM.**

24 **“(a) DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

1           “(1) COLLEGE-GOING RATE.—The term ‘col-  
 2       lege-going rate’ means the percentage of high school  
 3       graduates who enroll in an institution of higher edu-  
 4       cation in the school year immediately following grad-  
 5       uation from high school.

6           “(2) GRADUATION RATE.—The term ‘gradua-  
 7       tion rate’ means the graduation rate for public sec-  
 8       ondary school students, as defined in section  
 9       1111(b)(2)(C)(vi) of the Elementary and Secondary  
 10      Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.  
 11      6311(b)(2)(C)(vi)).

12          “(3) LOW-INCOME STUDENT.—The term ‘low-  
 13      income student’ means a student who is eligible to  
 14      be counted under one of the measures of poverty de-  
 15      scribed in section 1113(a)(5) of the Elementary and  
 16      Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.  
 17      6313(a)(5)).

18          “(4) OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH.—The term ‘out-  
 19      of-school youth’ means youth of an appropriate age  
 20      to attend secondary school who are not currently en-  
 21      rolled in secondary schools.

22          “(5) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE.—The term  
 23      ‘youth engagement zone’ means the area in which a  
 24      youth engagement zone program is carried out.

1           “(6) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE PROGRAM.—

2           The term ‘youth engagement zone program’ means  
3           a service-learning program in which members of a  
4           partnership described in subsection (c) collaborate to  
5           provide coordinated school-based or community-  
6           based service-learning opportunities, to address a  
7           specific community challenge, for secondary school  
8           students served by the local educational agency in-  
9           volved as described in subsection (d)(2)(B), and for  
10          an increasing percentage of out-of-school youth, over  
11          5 years.

12          “(b) GENERAL AUTHORITY AND AVAILABILITY OF  
13 FUNDS.—

14           “(1) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Subject to para-  
15          graph (3), the Corporation may make grants, on a  
16          competitive basis, to eligible partnerships to enable  
17          the partnerships to establish and carry out, in youth  
18          engagement zones, youth engagement zone programs  
19          with secondary school students and with out-of-  
20          school youth, in order to carry out projects to im-  
21          prove communities involving—

22                  “(A) improving student engagement, in-  
23                  cluding student attendance and student behav-  
24                  ior, and student academic achievement, gradua-  
25                  tion rates, and college-going rates, at secondary

1 schools with high concentrations of low-income  
2 students;

3 “(B) maintaining and improving local  
4 parks, trails, and rivers; assisting in the devel-  
5 opment of local recycling programs; or imple-  
6 menting initiatives to improve local energy ef-  
7 fectively;

8 “(C) improving civic engagement and par-  
9 ticipation among individuals of all ages; or

10 “(D) carrying out another activity that fo-  
11 cuses on solving a community challenge faced  
12 by the community that the eligible partnership  
13 involved will serve.

14 “(2) GRANT PERIODS.—The Corporation shall  
15 make the grants for periods of 5 years.

16 “(3) GRANT AMOUNTS.—The Corporation shall  
17 make such a grant to a partnership in an amount  
18 of not less than \$250,000 and not more than  
19 \$1,000,000, based on the number of students served  
20 by the local educational agency in the partnership.

21 “(c) ELIGIBLE PARTNERSHIPS.—To be eligible to re-  
22 ceive a grant under this section, a partnership—

23 “(1) shall include—

24 “(A) 1 or more community-based agencies  
25 that have demonstrated records of success in

1 carrying out service-learning programs with  
 2 low-income students; and that meet such cri-  
 3 teria as the Chief Executive Officer may estab-  
 4 lish; and

5 “(B)(i) a local educational agency for  
 6 which—

7 “(I) a high number or percentage of  
 8 the students served by the agency, as de-  
 9 termined by the Corporation, are low-in-  
 10 come students; and

11 “(II) the graduation rate for the sec-  
 12 ondary school students served by the agen-  
 13 cy is less than 70 percent; or

14 “(ii)(I) a State Commission or State edu-  
 15 cational agency; and

16 “(II) more than 1 local educational agency  
 17 described in clause (i); and

18 “(2) may include—

19 “(A) a local government agency that is not  
 20 described in paragraph (1);

21 “(B) the office of the chief executive offi-  
 22 cer of a unit of general local government; or

23 “(C) an institution of higher education.

24 “(d) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant  
 25 under this section, a partnership shall submit an applica-



1 tion to the Corporation at such time, in such manner, and  
2 containing such information as the Corporation may re-  
3 quire, which shall include—

4 “(1) a description of the project to improve the  
5 community that the partnership is proposing to  
6 carry out, including—

7 “(A) the community challenge the partner-  
8 ship seeks to address, and relevant data about  
9 the challenge in such community; or

10 “(B) a description of the process the part-  
11 nership will use, as part of the youth engage-  
12 ment zone program, to identify the community  
13 challenge the partnership will seek to address,  
14 including how the partnership will use relevant  
15 data to identify such challenge;

16 “(2) a description of how the partnership will  
17 work with secondary schools served by the local edu-  
18 cational agency that is included in such partnership  
19 in carrying out the project to assure that—

20 “(A) by the end of the third year of the  
21 grant period, a majority of the students in the  
22 secondary schools served by the local edu-  
23 cational agency will have participated in service-  
24 learning activities as part of the project; and

1           “(B) by the end of the fifth year of the  
2           grant period—

3                   “(i) not less than 90 percent of the  
4           students in those schools will have partici-  
5           pated in service-learning activities as part  
6           of the project; or

7                   “(ii) service-learning will be a manda-  
8           tory part of the curriculum in all of the  
9           secondary schools served by the local edu-  
10          cational agency;

11           “(3) a description of the amount of time for  
12          which the partnership will seek to have participating  
13          individuals participate in service-learning activities  
14          as part of the project, and how that time will be  
15          structured;

16           “(4) a description of the partnership’s plan to  
17          provide high-quality, ongoing service-learning profes-  
18          sional development and assistance to educators con-  
19          ducting service-learning activities through the youth  
20          engagement zone program;

21           “(5) a description of how the partnership will  
22          work to—

23                   “(A) ensure that out-of-school youth in the  
24          community are included as participants in serv-

1 ice-learning activities carried out through the  
2 project; and

3 “(B) re-engage out-of-school youth;

4 “(6) a description of how the partnership will  
5 work, through the project, to improve student en-  
6 gagement, including student attendance and student  
7 behavior, and student achievement, graduation rates,  
8 and college-going rates, at schools served by the  
9 local educational agency that is included in the eligi-  
10 ble partnership;

11 “(7) a description of how the partnership will  
12 encourage participants to continue to engage in serv-  
13 ice after graduation from secondary school; and

14 “(8) a description of how youth in the commu-  
15 nity were involved in the development of the pro-  
16 posal for the project.

17 “(e) PRIORITY AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—

18 “(1) PRIORITY.—In making grants under this  
19 section, the Corporation shall give priority to eligible  
20 partnerships that serve high percentages or numbers  
21 of low-income students.

22 “(2) CONSIDERATION.—In making grants  
23 under this section, the Corporation shall take into  
24 consideration the relevant data about the challenges  
25 in communities that eligible partnerships include in

1       their applications, if the relevant partnerships sub-  
 2       mit such relevant data under subsection (d)(1)(A).

3           ~~“(3) GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—~~The Corpora-  
 4       tion shall make the grants to a geographically di-  
 5       verse set of eligible partnerships, including partner-  
 6       ships that serve urban, and partnerships that serve  
 7       rural, communities.

8       ~~“(f) USE OF FUNDS.—~~

9           ~~“(1) MANDATORY ACTIVITIES.—~~A partnership  
 10      that receives a grant under this section shall use the  
 11      funds made available through the grant to establish  
 12      and carry out a high-quality youth engagement zone  
 13      program designed to—

14           ~~“(A) solve specific community challenges;~~

15           ~~“(B) improve student engagement, includ-~~  
 16      ing student attendance and student behavior;  
 17      and student achievement, graduation rates, and  
 18      college-going rates in secondary schools;

19           ~~“(C) involve an increasing percentage of~~  
 20      secondary school students and out-of-school  
 21      youth in the community in school-based or com-  
 22      munity-based service-learning activities each  
 23      year, with the goal of involving all students in  
 24      secondary schools served by the local edu-  
 25      cational agency and involving an increasing per-

1           centage of the out-of-school youth in service-  
 2           learning activities over the course of 5 years;  
 3           and

4           “(D) encourage participants to continue to  
 5           engage in service throughout their lives.

6           “(2) PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES.—A partnership  
 7           that receives a grant under this section may use the  
 8           funds made available through the grant for activities  
 9           described in section 111.

10          “(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Any requirement of  
 11          this subpart that applies to a local educational agency in  
 12          a partnership shall be considered to apply to each local  
 13          educational agency in the partnership.”.

14          (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND RES-  
 15          ERVATIONS.—Section 501(a)(1) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
 16          12681(a)(1)) is amended—

17               (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “title I”  
 18               and inserting “title I (other than subpart B of part  
 19               I)”;

20               (2) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by striking “sub-  
 21               part B” and inserting “subpart C”; and

22               (3) by adding at the end the following:

23                       “(C) SUBPART B OF PART I.—There is au-  
 24                       thorized to be appropriated to carry out subpart  
 25                       B of part I of subtitle B of title I—

1                   “(i) \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;  
 2                   “(ii) \$30,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;  
 3                   “(iii) \$30,000,000 for fiscal year  
 4                   2012;  
 5                   “(iv) \$40,000,000 for fiscal year  
 6                   2013; and  
 7                   “(v) \$40,000,000 for fiscal year  
 8                   2014.”.

9 **SEC. 112. CAMPUS OF SERVICE.**

10       (a) **FINDINGS.**—Congress finds the following:

11           (1) Providing service-learning courses to indi-  
 12       viduals who are students in institutions of higher  
 13       education can make such individuals more likely to  
 14       engage in service throughout their lives, and better  
 15       prepared to take on public service careers in the  
 16       nonprofit sector or government.

17           (2) While many institutions of higher education,  
 18       in using work-study funds for community service  
 19       under part C of title IV of the Higher Education  
 20       Act of 1965, considerably exceed the percentage of  
 21       such funds required to be used for such service, na-  
 22       tionally the amount of such funds used for such  
 23       service has remained relatively constant for the past  
 24       few years.

1           (3) The public service sector, including the non-  
 2           profit sector and government, faces many human  
 3           capital challenges, and institutions of higher edu-  
 4           cation can be a part of efforts to address the chal-  
 5           lenges.

6           (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

7           (1) to identify and recognize institutions of  
 8           higher education that serve as model Campuses of  
 9           Service, in terms of engaging students in community  
 10          service activities, providing service-learning courses,  
 11          and encouraging or assisting graduates to pursue ca-  
 12          reers in public service in the nonprofit sector or gov-  
 13          ernment; and

14          (2) to allow such institutions to increase their  
 15          ability to encourage or assist more students to pur-  
 16          sue careers in public service, including public service  
 17          careers in the nonprofit sector or government.

18          (c) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Subtitle B of title I of  
 19          the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42  
 20          U.S.C. 12521 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
 21          the following:

22               **“PART III—CAMPUS OF SERVICE PROGRAM**

23               **“SEC. 119E. CAMPUSES OF SERVICE.**

24               “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation, after consulta-  
 25          tion with the Secretary of Education, may annually des-

1 designate not more than 30 institutions of higher education  
 2 as Campuses of Service, from among institutions nomi-  
 3 nated by State Commissions. An institution that receives  
 4 the designation shall have an opportunity to apply for  
 5 funds under subsection (d), and may nominate additional  
 6 individuals for ServeAmerica Fellowships under section  
 7 198E, as described in subsection (e).

8 “(b) APPLICATIONS FOR NOMINATION.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible for a nomi-  
 10 nation to receive designation under subsection (a),  
 11 and have an opportunity to apply for funds under  
 12 subsection (d), for a fiscal year, an institution of  
 13 higher education in a State shall submit an applica-  
 14 tion to the State Commission at such time, in such  
 15 manner, and containing such information as the  
 16 State Commission may require.

17 “(2) CONTENTS.—At a minimum, the applica-  
 18 tion shall include information specifying—

19 “(A)(i) the number of undergraduate and,  
 20 if applicable, graduate service-learning courses  
 21 offered at such institution for the most recent  
 22 full academic year preceding the fiscal year for  
 23 which designation is sought; and

24 “(ii) the number and percentage of under-  
 25 graduate students and, if applicable, the num-



ber and percentage of graduate students at such institution who were enrolled in the corresponding courses described in clause (i), for that preceding academic year;

“(B) the percentage of undergraduate students engaging in and, if applicable, the percentage of graduate students engaging in activities providing community services, as defined in section 441(c) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751(c)), during that preceding academic year, the quality of such activities, and the average amount of time spent, per student, engaged in such activities;

“(C) for that preceding academic year, the percentage of Federal work-study funds made available to the institution under part C of title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) that is used to compensate students employed in providing community services, as so defined, and a description of the efforts the institution undertakes to make available to students opportunities to provide such community services and be compensated through such work-study funds;

1           “(D) at the discretion of the institution;  
 2           information demonstrating the degree to which  
 3           recent graduates of the institution; and all  
 4           graduates of the institution; have obtained full-  
 5           time public service employment in the nonprofit  
 6           sector or government; with a private nonprofit  
 7           organization or a Federal, State, or local public  
 8           agency; and

9           “(E) any programs the institution has in  
 10          place to encourage or assist graduates of the in-  
 11          stitution to pursue careers in public service in  
 12          the nonprofit sector or government.

13       “(c) NOMINATIONS AND DESIGNATION.—

14       “(1) NOMINATION.—

15       “(A) IN GENERAL.—A State Commission  
 16       that receives applications from institutions of  
 17       higher education under subsection (b) may  
 18       nominate, for designation under subsection (a),  
 19       not more than 3 such institutions of higher  
 20       education, consisting of—

21           “(i) not more than one 4-year public  
 22           institution of higher education;

23           “(ii) not more than one 4-year private  
 24           institution of higher education; and

1                   “(iii) not more than one 2-year insti-  
2                   tution of higher education.”

3                   “(B) SUBMISSION.—The State Commission  
4                   shall submit to the Corporation the name and  
5                   application of each institution nominated by the  
6                   State Commission under subparagraph (A).”

7                   “(2) DESIGNATION.—The Corporation shall  
8                   designate, under subsection (a), not more than 30  
9                   institutions of higher education from among the in-  
10                  stitutions nominated under paragraph (1). In mak-  
11                  ing the designations, the Corporation shall, if fea-  
12                  sible, designate various types of institutions, includ-  
13                  ing institutions from each of the categories of insti-  
14                  tutions described in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of para-  
15                  graph (1)(A).”

16                  “(d) FUNDS.—

17                  “(1) IN GENERAL.—Using sums appropriated  
18                  under section 501(a)(1)(D), the Corporation shall  
19                  provide funds to institutions designated under sub-  
20                  section (e), to be used by the institutions to imple-  
21                  ment strategies to encourage or assist students from  
22                  those institutions to pursue careers in public service  
23                  in the nonprofit sector or government. The institu-  
24                  tion may also use the funds to develop or dissemi-  
25                  nate, to other institutions of higher education, serv-

1       ice-learning models and best practices regarding  
2       service-learning.

3           ~~“(2) PLAN.—~~To be eligible to receive funds  
4       under this subsection, an institution designated  
5       under subsection (c) shall submit a plan to the Cor-  
6       poration describing how the institution intends to  
7       use the funds to encourage or assist those students  
8       to pursue those careers.

9           ~~“(3) ALLOCATION.—~~The Corporation shall de-  
10      termine how the funds appropriated under section  
11      501(a)(1)(D) for a fiscal year will be allocated  
12      among the institutions submitting acceptable plans  
13      under paragraph (2). In determining the amount of  
14      funds to be allocated to such an institution, the Cor-  
15      poration shall consider the number of students at  
16      the institution, the quality and scope of the plan  
17      submitted by the institution under paragraph (2),  
18      and the institution’s current (as of the date of sub-  
19      mission of the plan) strategies to encourage or assist  
20      students to pursue public service careers in the non-  
21      profit sector or government.

22          ~~“(c) ADDITIONAL SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIPS.—~~  
23      An institution designated as a Campus of Service may  
24      nominate additional individuals (relative to the number

1 that other institutions may nominate) for ServeAmerica  
 2 Fellowships under section 198E.”.

3 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
 4 501(a)(1) of the National and Community Service Act of  
 5 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)(1)), as amended by section  
 6 111(d), is further amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “subpart  
 8 B of part I” and inserting “subpart B of part I and  
 9 part III”; and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(D) PART III.—There is authorized to be  
 12 appropriated to carry out part III of subtitle B  
 13 of title I \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
 14 2010 through 2014.”.

15 **SEC. 113. SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle B of title I of the Na-  
 17 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.  
 18 12521 et seq.), as amended by section 112(e), is further  
 19 amended by adding at the end the following:

20 **“PART IV—SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY**

21 **“SEC. 119F. STUDY AND REPORT.**

22 “(a) STUDY.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall  
 24 enter into a contract with an entity that is not oth-  
 25 erwise a recipient of financial assistance under this

1 subtitle, to conduct a 10-year longitudinal study on  
 2 the impact of the activities carried out under this  
 3 subtitle.

4 “(2) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study, the  
 5 entity shall consider the impact of service-learning  
 6 activities carried out under this subtitle on students  
 7 participating in such activities, including in par-  
 8 ticular examining the degree to which the activi-  
 9 ties—

10 “(A) improved student academic achieve-  
 11 ment;

12 “(B) improved student engagement;

13 “(C) improved graduation rates; and

14 “(D) improved the degree to which the  
 15 participants in the activities engaged in subse-  
 16 quent national service, volunteering, or other  
 17 service activities, or pursued careers in public  
 18 service, in the nonprofit sector or government.

19 “(3) ANALYSIS.—In carrying out such study,  
 20 the entity shall examine the impact of the service-  
 21 learning activities on the 4 factors described in sub-  
 22 paragraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (2), ana-  
 23 lyzed in terms of how much time participants were  
 24 engaged in service-learning activities.

1           “(4) BEST PRACTICES.—The entity shall collect  
2           information on best practices concerning using serv-  
3           ice-learning activities to improve the 4 factors.

4           “(b) REPORT.—The entity shall submit a report to  
5           the Corporation containing the results of the study and  
6           the information on best practices. The Corporation shall  
7           submit such report to the Committee on Education and  
8           Labor of the House of Representatives and the Committee  
9           on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate,  
10          and shall make such report available to the public on the  
11          Corporation’s website.

12          “(c) CONSULTATION AND DISSEMINATION.—On re-  
13          ceiving the report, the Corporation shall consult with the  
14          Secretary of Education to review the results of the study,  
15          and to identify best practices concerning using service-  
16          learning activities to improve the 4 factors described in  
17          subparagraphs (A) through (D) of subsection (a)(2). The  
18          Corporation shall disseminate information on the identi-  
19          fied best practices.”.

20          (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
21          501(a)(1) of the National and Community Service Act of  
22          1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)(1)), as amended by section  
23          112(d), is further amended—

1           (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “subpart  
2       B of part I and part III” and inserting “subpart B  
3       of part I, and parts III and IV”; and

4           (2) by adding at the end the following:

5                     “(E) PART IV.—There are authorized to be  
6       appropriated to carry out part IV of subtitle B  
7       of title I such sums as may be necessary for  
8       each of fiscal years 2010 through 2014.”.

9           **Subtitle B—Supporting Social**  
10       **Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

11       ~~SEC. 121. INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP.~~

12       (a) IN GENERAL.—Title I of the National and Com-  
13       munity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511 et seq.) is  
14       amended—

15           (1) by redesignating subtitles F through I as  
16       subtitles H through K; and

17           (2) by inserting after subtitle E the following:

18       **“Subtitle F—Social Innovation and**  
19       **Entrepreneurship**

20       **“PART I—COMMISSION ON CROSS-SECTOR**  
21       **SOLUTIONS**

22       ~~“SEC. 167. COMMISSION.~~

23       “(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-  
24       ings:



1           “(1) Nonprofit organizations play a significant  
2           role in addressing national and local challenges that  
3           impact economically disadvantaged individuals.

4           “(2) Innovative nonprofit organizations often  
5           serve as a research and development engine for the  
6           social service sector, identifying effective solutions to  
7           national and local challenges.

8           “(3) Despite the important role effective non-  
9           profit organizations play in addressing national and  
10          local challenges, such organizations face administra-  
11          tive and efficiency barriers in maximizing their work  
12          with businesses and the government, and limited re-  
13          sources are available to help such organizations in-  
14          crease their capacity to deliver services more effec-  
15          tively, efficiently, on a larger scale, and with greater  
16          accountability.

17          “(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

18               “(1) to examine and recommend ways in which  
19               the Federal Government can interact more effi-  
20               ciently and effectively with nonprofit organizations,  
21               philanthropic organizations, and business to achieve  
22               better outcomes with regard to addressing national  
23               and local challenges, accountability, and utilization  
24               of resources;

1           “(2) to provide advice to the President and  
2 Congress regarding new, more effective ways for the  
3 Federal Government to address national and local  
4 challenges in partnership with the nonprofit sector;  
5 and

6           “(3) to support research that will advance the  
7 impact and effectiveness of the nonprofit sector and  
8 the way that the Federal Government interacts with  
9 such sector.

10       “(c) ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION.—

11           “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a  
12 commission to be known as the Commission on  
13 Cross-Sector Solutions to America’s Problems (in  
14 this section referred to as the ‘Commission’).

15           “(2) MEMBERSHIP.—

16           “(A) COMPOSITION.—The Commission  
17 shall be composed of 21 members, of whom—

18                   “(i) 9 shall be appointed by the Presi-  
19 dent;

20                   “(ii) 3 shall be appointed by the ma-  
21 jority leader of the Senate;

22                   “(iii) 3 shall be appointed by the mi-  
23 nority leader of the Senate;

1           “(iv) ~~3~~ shall be appointed by the  
 2           Speaker of the House of Representatives;  
 3           and

4           “(v) ~~3~~ shall be appointed by the mi-  
 5           nority leader of the House of Representa-  
 6           tives.

7           “(B) QUALIFICATIONS OF PRESIDENTIAL  
 8           APPOINTEES.—

9           “(i) EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE.—  
 10          Subject to subparagraph (D)(ii), the Com-  
 11          mission shall include members appointed  
 12          under subparagraph (A)(i) who, to the ex-  
 13          tent practicable, collectively have extensive  
 14          experience or are experts in—

15               “(I) social entrepreneurship and  
 16               social enterprise;

17               “(II) the management and oper-  
 18               ation of small nonprofit organizations  
 19               and large nonprofit organizations;

20               “(III) business, including a busi-  
 21               ness with experience working with a  
 22               startup enterprise and a business with  
 23               experience working with the nonprofit  
 24               sector;

1                   “(IV) philanthropy, including the  
2                   specific philanthropic challenges in  
3                   urban and rural areas and in areas  
4                   that are philanthropically under-  
5                   served;

6                   “(V) volunteering, including ef-  
7                   fective volunteer management;

8                   “(VI) government, including the  
9                   management of government agencies  
10                  and the role of government programs  
11                  in providing services; and

12                  “(VII) qualitative and quan-  
13                  titative social science research.

14                  “(ii) OTHER QUALIFICATIONS.—The  
15                  Commission shall include, among the mem-  
16                  bers appointed under subparagraph (A)(i),  
17                  a wide range of individuals, including  
18                  young people, and individuals from diverse  
19                  economic, racial, ethnic, and religious  
20                  backgrounds, and individuals from diverse  
21                  geographic areas.

22                  “(C) QUALIFICATIONS OF CONGRESSIONAL  
23                  APPOINTEES.—

24                  “(i) EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE.—

25                  Subject to subparagraph (D)(ii), the Com-

mission shall include members appointed under clauses (ii) through (v) of subparagraph (A) who, to the extent practicable, collectively have extensive experience or are experts in the matters described in subparagraph (B)(i).

“(ii) OTHER QUALIFICATIONS.—The Commission shall include, among the members appointed under clauses (ii) through (v) of subparagraph (A), a wide range of individuals with the qualifications described in subparagraph (B)(ii).

“(D) LIMITATIONS.—

“(i) CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON.—The President shall select a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson, who may not be members of the same political party, from among the members of the Commission appointed under subparagraph (A).

“(ii) GENERAL MEMBERSHIP.—Members appointed under subparagraph (A) shall include not more than 11 members who are members of the same political party.

1           “(E) EX OFFICIO MEMBERS.—Heads of  
 2           Federal agencies, appointed to the Commission  
 3           by the President, whose work concerns the non-  
 4           profit sector shall serve as ex officio nonvoting  
 5           members of the Commission.

6           “(F) DATE.—The appointments of the  
 7           members of the Commission shall be made not  
 8           later than 60 days after the date of enactment  
 9           of the Serve America Act.

10          “(3) PERIOD OF APPOINTMENT.—

11           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Members appointed  
 12           under paragraph (2)(A) shall be appointed for  
 13           terms of 2 years.

14           “(B) EXCEPTION.—The appointing offi-  
 15           cer—

16           “(i) under paragraph (2)(A)(i) shall  
 17           designate 4 of the initial members ap-  
 18           pointed under that paragraph to serve  
 19           terms of 3 years;

20           “(ii) under paragraph (2)(A)(ii) shall  
 21           designate 2 of the initial members ap-  
 22           pointed under that paragraph to serve  
 23           terms of 3 years;

24           “(iii) under paragraph (2)(A)(iii) shall  
 25           designate 1 of the initial members ap-

1           pointed under that paragraph to serve  
2           terms of 3 years;

3           ~~“(iv) under paragraph (2)(A)(iv) shall~~  
4           designate 1 of the initial members ap-  
5           pointed under that paragraph to serve  
6           terms of 3 years; and

7           ~~“(v) under paragraph (2)(A)(v) shall~~  
8           designate 2 of the initial members ap-  
9           pointed under that paragraph to serve  
10          terms of 3 years.

11          ~~“(4) VACANCIES.—Any vacancy in the Commis-~~  
12          sion shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled in  
13          the same manner as the original appointment.

14          ~~“(5) INITIAL MEETING.—Not later than 30~~  
15          days after the date on which all voting members of  
16          the Commission have been appointed, the Commis-  
17          sion shall hold its first meeting.

18          ~~“(6) MEETINGS.—The Commission shall meet~~  
19          at the call of the Chairperson, not less than 3 times  
20          a year.

21          ~~“(7) QUORUM.—A majority of the voting mem-~~  
22          bers of the Commission shall constitute a quorum;  
23          but a lesser number of voting members may hold  
24          hearings.

25          ~~“(d) DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.—~~

1 “(1) STUDY.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall  
3 conduct a thorough study of all matters relating  
4 to ways in which the Federal Government can  
5 work more efficiently and effectively with non-  
6 profit organizations and philanthropic organiza-  
7 tions to assist the organizations described in  
8 this subparagraph, and the Federal Govern-  
9 ment, in achieving better outcomes with regard  
10 to addressing pressing national and local chal-  
11 lenges, and improving accountability and utili-  
12 zation of resources, and relating to assisting the  
13 Federal Government, such organizations, and  
14 business in improving their collaboration to  
15 achieve such outcomes.

16 “(B) MATTERS STUDIED.—The matters  
17 studied by the Commission shall include—

18 “(i) ways in which the Federal Gov-  
19 ernment interacts with nonprofit organiza-  
20 tions, philanthropic organizations, and  
21 business to address national and local chal-  
22 lenges;

23 “(ii) ways in which businesses collabo-  
24 rate with nonprofit organizations and phil-  
25 anthropic organizations, and any barriers



1 to maximizing the effectiveness of those  
2 collaborations in addressing national and  
3 local challenges;

4 “(iii) public and nonprofit sector  
5 human capital challenges, including spe-  
6 cific upcoming human capital needs facing  
7 the nonprofit sector and such needs facing  
8 the government sector, the causes of needs  
9 described in this clause, and ways in which  
10 nonprofit organizations and governments  
11 can address the challenges jointly;

12 “(iv) ways in which government poli-  
13 cies could be improved to foster nonprofit  
14 organization accountability;

15 “(v) systems for streamlining the  
16 process for nonprofit organizations to ob-  
17 tain Federal grants and contracts, and  
18 eliminating unnecessary requirements re-  
19 lating to that process;

20 “(vi) barriers for smaller nonprofit or-  
21 ganizations to participate in Federal Gov-  
22 ernment programs;

23 “(vii) the degree to which, and ways  
24 in which, social entrepreneurs are identi-

1           fying innovative ways of addressing na-  
2           tional and local challenges;

3           “(viii) ways in which the Federal Gov-  
4           ernment can help build the capacity of ef-  
5           fective social entrepreneurs and effective  
6           nonprofit organizations, including the ca-  
7           pacity of the entrepreneurs and organiza-  
8           tions to replicate programs that provide ef-  
9           fective ways of addressing national and  
10          local challenges;

11          “(ix) ways in which the Federal Gov-  
12          ernment supports social service sector re-  
13          search and development, whether there is a  
14          need to increase such support, and, if so,  
15          how such support may be increased;

16          “(x) ways in which the Federal Gov-  
17          ernment can partner with nonprofit organi-  
18          zations after an emergency or disaster to  
19          address the needs of the community in-  
20          volved; and

21          “(xi) ways in which the Federal Gov-  
22          ernment can improve the quantity, quality,  
23          and timeliness of data about the nonprofit  
24          sector.

1           “(2) GRANTS.—The Commission shall provide  
2       advice to the President and Congress regarding the  
3       establishment of grants to build the capacity of the  
4       nonprofit sector; to support research on the sector;  
5       and to model innovative effective ways for the Fed-  
6       eral Government to address national and local chal-  
7       lenges by supporting social entrepreneurship and en-  
8       abling nonprofit organizations to replicate and ex-  
9       pand effective solutions to national and local chal-  
10      lenges.

11           “(3) ADVICE TO THE PRESIDENT AND CON-  
12      GRESS.—The Commission shall advise the President  
13      and Congress on matters concerning the nonprofit  
14      sector and social entrepreneurship.

15           “(4) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after  
16      the first meeting of the Commission, the Commis-  
17      sion shall submit a report to Congress, which shall  
18      contain a detailed statement of the findings of the  
19      Commission resulting from the study described in  
20      paragraph (1), and the advice provided under para-  
21      graphs (2) and (3). The report shall contain rec-  
22      ommendations resulting from the study.

23           “(5) ADVICE ON IMPLEMENTATION.—At the re-  
24      quest of Congress or the head of any Federal de-  
25      partment or agency, the Commission shall provide

1       advice on the implementation of any of the rec-  
2       ommendations contained in the report.

3       “(e) POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.—

4               “(1) HEARINGS.—The Commission may hold  
5       such hearings, sit and act at such times and places,  
6       take such testimony, and receive such evidence as  
7       the Commission considers advisable to carry out this  
8       section.

9               “(2) INFORMATION FROM FEDERAL AGEN-  
10      CIES.—

11              “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may  
12      secure directly from any Federal agency such  
13      information as the Commission considers nec-  
14      essary to carry out this section.

15              “(B) AGENCY COOPERATION.—Upon re-  
16      quest of the Chairperson of the Commission,  
17      the head of any Federal agency shall furnish in-  
18      formation requested under this paragraph to  
19      the Commission.

20              “(3) POSTAL SERVICES.—The Commission may  
21      use the United States mails in the same manner and  
22      under the same conditions as other agencies of the  
23      Federal Government.

1           “(4) GIFTS.—The Commission may accept, use,  
2           and dispose of gifts or donations of services or prop-  
3           erty.

4           “(f) COMMISSION PERSONNEL MATTERS.—

5           “(1) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—The members of the  
6           Commission shall serve without compensation for  
7           their work on the Commission. Notwithstanding sec-  
8           tion 1342 of title 31, United States Code, the Chief  
9           Executive Officer of the Corporation may accept the  
10          voluntary and uncompensated services of members of  
11          the Commission. The members of the Commission  
12          shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem  
13          in lieu of subsistence, at rates authorized for em-  
14          ployees of agencies under subchapter I of chapter 57  
15          of title 5, United States Code, while away from their  
16          homes or regular places of business in the perform-  
17          ance of services for the Commission.

18          “(2) STAFF.—Any Corporation for National  
19          and Community Service employee may be detailed to  
20          the Commission without reimbursement, and such  
21          detail shall be without interruption or loss of civil  
22          service status or privilege.

23          “(g) TERMINATION OF THE COMMISSION.—The  
24          Commission shall terminate in 6 years.

6 ~~“SEC. 167A. FUNDS.~~

8 “(1) Social entrepreneurs and other nonprofit  
9 community organizations are developing innovative  
10 and effective solutions to national and local chal-  
11 lenges.

“(3) A network of Community Solutions Funds could leverage Federal investments to increase State, local, business, and philanthropic resources to replicate and expand proven solutions to tackle specific identified community challenges.

24 “(1) to recognize and increase the impact of so-  
25 cial entrepreneurs and other nonprofit community

1 organizations in tackling national and local chal-  
 2 lenges;

3 “(2) to stimulate the development of a network  
 4 of Community Solutions Funds that will increase  
 5 private and public investment in nonprofit commu-  
 6 nity organizations that are effectively addressing na-  
 7 tional and local challenges to allow such organiza-  
 8 tions to replicate and expand successful initiatives;

9 “(3) to assess the effectiveness of such Funds  
 10 in—

11 “(A) leveraging Federal investments to in-  
 12 crease State, local, business, and philanthropic  
 13 resources to address national and local chal-  
 14 lenges; and

15 “(B) providing resources to replicate and  
 16 expand effective initiatives; and

17 “(4) to strengthen the infrastructure to invest  
 18 in, and replicate and expand, initiatives with effec-  
 19 tive solutions to national and local challenges.

20 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21 “(1) COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION.—The term  
 22 ‘community organization’ means a nonprofit organi-  
 23 zation that carries out innovative, effective initiatives  
 24 to address community challenges.

1           ~~“(2) COVERED ENTITY.—The term ‘covered en-~~  
 2           ~~tity’ means—~~

3                   ~~“(A) an existing grantmaking institution~~  
 4                   ~~(existing as of the date on which the institution~~  
 5                   ~~applies for a grant under this section); or~~

6                   ~~“(B) a partnership between—~~

7                           ~~“(i) such an existing grantmaking in-~~  
 8                           ~~stitution; and~~

9                           ~~“(ii) an additional grantmaking insti-~~  
 10                           ~~tution, a State Commission, or a chief ex-~~  
 11                           ~~ecutive officer of a unit of general local~~  
 12                           ~~government.~~

13           ~~“(3) ISSUE AREA.—The term ‘issue area’~~  
 14           ~~means an area described in subsection (f)(3).~~

15           ~~“(d) PROGRAM.—The Corporation shall establish a~~  
 16           ~~Community Solutions Fund grant program to make~~  
 17           ~~grants on a competitive basis to eligible entities to assist~~  
 18           ~~the entities in paying for the cost of providing national~~  
 19           ~~leveraging capital for Community Solution Funds.~~

20           ~~“(e) PERIODS; AMOUNTS.—The Corporation shall~~  
 21           ~~make such grants for periods of 5 years, and may renew~~  
 22           ~~the grants for additional periods of 5 years, in amounts~~  
 23           ~~of not less than \$1,000,000 and not more than~~  
 24           ~~\$10,000,000 per year.~~



1       “(f) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant  
2 under this section, an entity shall—

3           “(1) be a covered entity;

4           “(2) be focused on—

5               “(A) serving a specific local geographical  
6 area; or

7               “(B) addressing a specific issue area, in  
8 geographical areas that have the highest need  
9 in that issue area, as demonstrated by statistics  
10 concerning that need;

11           “(3) be focused on improving measurable out-  
12 comes relating to—

13               “(A) education for economically disadvan-  
14 taged students in public schools;

15               “(B) child and youth development;

16               “(C) reductions in poverty or increases in  
17 economic opportunity for economically dis-  
18 advantaged individuals;

19               “(D) health, including access to health  
20 care and health education;

21               “(E) resource conservation and local envi-  
22 ronmental quality;

23               “(F) individual or community energy effi-  
24 ciency;

25               “(G) civic engagement; or

1                   ~~“(H) reductions in crime;~~

2                   ~~“(4) make data-driven decisions about subgrant~~  
 3                   ~~awards and internal policies;~~

4                   ~~“(5) have well-articulated processes for assess-~~  
 5                   ~~ing community organizations for subgrants; and~~

6                   ~~“(6) have appropriate policies, as determined by~~  
 7                   ~~the Corporation, that protect against conflict of in-~~  
 8                   ~~terest, self-dealing, and other improper practices.~~

9                   ~~“(g) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant~~  
 10                   ~~under subsection (d) for national leveraging capital, an eli-~~  
 11                   ~~gible entity shall submit an application to the Corporation~~  
 12                   ~~at such time, in such manner, and containing such infor-~~  
 13                   ~~mation as the Corporation may specify, including, at a~~  
 14                   ~~minimum—~~

15                   ~~“(1) an assurance that the eligible entity will—~~

16                   ~~“(A) use the funds received through that~~  
 17                   ~~capital in order to make subgrants to commu-~~  
 18                   ~~nity organizations that will use the funds to~~  
 19                   ~~replicate or expand proven initiatives in low-in-~~  
 20                   ~~come communities;~~

21                   ~~“(B) in making decisions about subgrants~~  
 22                   ~~for communities, consult with a diverse cross~~  
 23                   ~~section of community representatives in the de-~~  
 24                   ~~cisions, including individuals from the public;~~

1           nonprofit private, and for-profit private sectors;  
2           and

3           ~~“(C) make subgrants of a sufficient size~~  
4           ~~and scope to enable the community organiza-~~  
5           ~~tions to build their capacity to manage initia-~~  
6           ~~tives, and sustain replication or expansion of~~  
7           ~~the initiatives;~~

8           ~~“(2) an assurance that the eligible entity will~~  
9           ~~not make any subgrants to the parent organizations~~  
10          ~~of the eligible entity, a subsidiary organization of the~~  
11          ~~parent organization, or, if the eligible entity applied~~  
12          ~~for funds under this section as a partnership, any~~  
13          ~~member of the partnership;~~

14          ~~“(3) an identification of, as appropriate—~~

15                 ~~“(A) the specific local geographical area~~  
16                 ~~referred to in subsection (f)(2)(A) that the eli-~~  
17                 ~~gible entity is proposing to serve; or~~

18                 ~~“(B) geographical areas referred to in sub-~~  
19                 ~~section (f)(2)(B) that the eligible entity is likely~~  
20                 ~~to serve;~~

21          ~~“(4)(A) information identifying the issue areas~~  
22          ~~in which the eligible entity will work to improve~~  
23          ~~measurable outcomes;~~

24                 ~~“(B) statistics on the needs related to those~~  
25          ~~issue areas in, as appropriate—~~

1           “(i) the specific local geographical area de-  
2           scribed in paragraph (3)(A); or

3           “(ii) the geographical areas described in  
4           paragraph (3)(B), including statistics dem-  
5           onstrating that those geographical areas have  
6           the highest need in the specific issue area that  
7           the eligible entity is proposing to address; and

8           “(C) information on the specific measurable  
9           outcomes related to the issue areas involved that the  
10          eligible entity will seek to improve;

11          “(5) information describing the process by  
12          which the eligible entity selected, or will select, com-  
13          munity organizations to receive the subgrants, to en-  
14          sure that the community organizations—

15               “(A) are institutions with proven initia-  
16               tives, with track records of achieving specific  
17               outcomes related to the measurable outcomes  
18               for the eligible entity;

19               “(B) articulate measurable outcomes for  
20               the use of the subgrant funds that are con-  
21               nected to the measurable outcomes for the eligi-  
22               ble entity;

23               “(C) will use the funds to replicate or ex-  
24               pand their initiatives;

1           ~~“(D) provide a well-defined plan for repli-~~  
2           ~~cating or expanding the initiatives funded;~~

3           ~~“(E) can sustain the initiatives after the~~  
4           ~~subgrant period concludes through reliable pub-~~  
5           ~~lic revenues, earned income, or private sector~~  
6           ~~funding;~~

7           ~~“(F) have strong leadership and financial~~  
8           ~~and management systems;~~

9           ~~“(G) are committed to the use of data col-~~  
10          ~~lection and evaluation for improvement of the~~  
11          ~~initiatives;~~

12          ~~“(H) will implement and evaluate innova-~~  
13          ~~tive initiatives, to be important contributors to~~  
14          ~~knowledge in their fields; and~~

15          ~~“(I) will meet the requirements for pro-~~  
16          ~~viding matching funds specified in subsection~~  
17          ~~(k);~~

18          ~~“(6) information about the eligible entity, in-~~  
19          ~~cluding its experience managing collaborative initia-~~  
20          ~~tives, or assessing applicants for grants and evalu-~~  
21          ~~ating the performance of grant recipients for out-~~  
22          ~~come-focused initiatives; and any other relevant in-~~  
23          ~~formation;~~

24          ~~“(7) a commitment to meet the requirements of~~  
25          ~~subsection (i) and a plan for meeting the require-~~

ments, including information on any funding that the eligible entity has secured to provide the matching funds required under that subsection;

“(8) a description of the eligible entity’s plan for providing technical assistance and support, other than financial support, to the community organizations that will increase the ability of the community organizations to achieve their measurable outcomes;

“(9) information on the commitment, institutional capacity, and expertise of the eligible entity concerning—

“(A) collecting and analyzing data required for evaluations, compliance efforts, and other purposes;

“(B) supporting relevant research; and

“(C) submitting regular reports to the Corporation, including information on the initiatives of the community organizations, and the replication or expansion of such initiatives; and

“(10) a commitment to use data and evaluations to continuously improve the initiatives funded by the eligible entity.

“(h) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In selecting eligible entities to receive grants under this section, the Corporation shall—

1           “(1) select eligible entities on a competitive  
2 basis;

3           “(2) select eligible entities on the basis of the  
4 quality of their selection process, as described in  
5 subsection (g)(5), the capacity of the eligible entities  
6 to manage Community Solutions Funds, and the po-  
7 tential of the eligible entities to sustain the Funds  
8 after the conclusion of the grant period;

9           “(3) include among the grant recipients eligible  
10 entities that propose to provide subgrants to serve  
11 communities (such as rural low-income communities)  
12 that the eligible entities can demonstrate are signifi-  
13 cantly philanthropically underserved; and

14           “(4) select a geographically diverse set of eligi-  
15 ble entities.

16       “(i) MATCHING FUNDS FOR GRANTS.—

17           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation may not  
18 make a grant to an eligible entity under this section  
19 for a Community Solutions Fund unless the entity  
20 agrees that, with respect to the cost described in  
21 subsection (d) for that Fund, the entity will make  
22 available matching funds in an amount not less than  
23 \$1 for every \$1 of funds provided under the grant.

24           “(2) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—

1           “(A) TYPE AND SOURCES.—The eligible  
 2           entity shall provide the matching funds in cash.  
 3           The eligible entity shall provide the matching  
 4           funds from State, local, or private sources,  
 5           which may include State or local agencies, busi-  
 6           nesses, private philanthropic organizations, or  
 7           individuals.

8           “(B) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES INCLUDING  
 9           STATE COMMISSIONS OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
 10          OFFICES.—

11           “(i) IN GENERAL.—In a case in which  
 12          a State Commission, a local government  
 13          office, or both entities are a part of the eli-  
 14          gible entity, the State involved, the local  
 15          government involved, or both entities, re-  
 16          spectively, shall contribute not less than 30  
 17          percent and not more than 50 percent of  
 18          the matching funds.

19           “(ii) LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICE.—  
 20          In this subparagraph, the term ‘local gov-  
 21          ernment office’ means the office of the  
 22          chief executive officer of a unit of general  
 23          local government.

24           “(3) REDUCTION.—The Corporation may re-  
 25          duce by 50 percent the matching funds required by



paragraph (1) for an eligible entity serving a community (such as a rural low-income community) that the eligible entity can demonstrate is significantly philanthropically underserved.

~~“(j) SUBGRANTS.—~~

~~“(1) SUBGRANTS AUTHORIZED.—An eligible entity receiving a grant under this section is authorized to use the funds made available through the grant to award subgrants on a competitive basis to—~~

~~“(A) community organizations serving low-income communities within the specific local geographical area referred to in subsection (f)(2)(A); or~~

~~“(B) community organizations addressing a specific issue area referred to in subsection (f)(2)(B), in low-income communities in geographical areas referred to in that subsection.~~

~~“(2) PERIODS; AMOUNTS.—The eligible entity shall make such subgrants for periods of not less than 3 and not more than 5 years, and may renew the grants for such periods, in amounts of not less than \$100,000.~~

~~“(3) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a subgrant from an eligible entity under this section,~~

1 including receiving a payment for that subgrant each  
2 year, a community organization shall submit an ap-  
3 plication to an eligible entity that serves the specific  
4 local geographical area, or geographical areas, that  
5 the community organization proposes to serve, at  
6 such time, in such manner, and containing such in-  
7 formation as the eligible entity may require, includ-  
8 ing—

9 “(A) a description of the initiative the  
10 community organization carries out and plans  
11 to replicate or expand using funds received  
12 from the eligible entity, and how the initiative  
13 relates to the issue areas identified under sub-  
14 section (g)(4)(A) in which the eligible entity has  
15 committed to work;

16 “(B) data on the measurable outcomes the  
17 community organization has improved, and in-  
18 formation on the measurable outcomes the com-  
19 munity organization seeks to improve by repli-  
20 eating or expanding an initiative, which shall be  
21 among the measurable outcomes the eligible en-  
22 tity is seeking to improve as identified under  
23 subsection (g)(4)(C);

24 “(C) an identification of the community in  
25 which the community organization proposes to

1 carry out an initiative, which shall be within the  
 2 specific local geographical area referred to in  
 3 subsection (f)(2)(A) or the geographical areas  
 4 referred to in subsection (f)(2)(B), that the eli-  
 5 gible entity serves;

6 “(D) a description of how the community  
 7 organization uses data to analyze and improve  
 8 its initiatives;

9 “(E) specific evidence of how the commu-  
 10 nity organization will meet the requirements for  
 11 providing matching funds specified in sub-  
 12 section (k);

13 “(F) a description of how the community  
 14 organization will sustain the replicated or ex-  
 15 panded initiative after the conclusion of the  
 16 subgrant period; and

17 “(G) any other information the eligible en-  
 18 tity may require, including information nec-  
 19 essary for the eligible entity to fulfill its obliga-  
 20 tions under subsection (g)(5).

21 “(k) MATCHING FUNDS FOR SUBGRANTS.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity may not  
 23 make a subgrant to a community organization under  
 24 this section for an initiative described in subsection  
 25 (j)(3)(A) unless the organization agrees that, with

1       respect to the cost of carrying out that initiative, the  
 2       organization will make available, on an annual basis,  
 3       matching funds in an amount not less than \$1 for  
 4       every \$1 of funds provided under the subgrant. If  
 5       the community organization fails to make such  
 6       matching funds available for a fiscal year, the eligi-  
 7       ble entity shall not make payments for the remain-  
 8       ing fiscal years of the subgrant period, notwith-  
 9       standing any other provision of this part.

10       ~~“(2) TYPES AND SOURCES.—~~The community  
 11       organization shall provide the matching funds in  
 12       cash. The community organization shall provide the  
 13       matching funds from State, local, or private sources,  
 14       which may include funds from State or local agen-  
 15       cies, or private sector funding.

16       ~~“(1) NATIONAL FUNCTIONS.—~~

17       ~~“(1) CORPORATION.—~~The Corporation shall  
 18       enter into a contract with an independent entity (re-  
 19       ferred to in this subsection as a ‘national con-  
 20       tractor’) to evaluate the eligible entities, and the ini-  
 21       tiatives supported by the eligible entities.

22       ~~“(2) NATIONAL CONTRACTOR.—~~

23       ~~“(A) RESEARCH AND REPORTS.—~~

24       ~~“(i) IN GENERAL.—~~The national con-  
 25       tractor shall collect data and conduct or

1 support research with respect to the eligi-  
2 ble entities; and the initiatives supported  
3 by the eligible entities; to determine the  
4 success of the program carried out under  
5 this section in replicating and expanding  
6 initiatives; including—

7 “(I) the success of the replicated  
8 or expanded initiatives in improving  
9 measurable outcomes; and

10 “(II) the success of the program  
11 in increasing philanthropic invest-  
12 ments in philanthropically under-  
13 served communities.

14 “(ii) REPORTS.—The national con-  
15 tractor shall submit reports to Congress  
16 and the Corporation including—

17 “(I) the data collected and the  
18 results of the research;

19 “(II) information on lessons  
20 learned about best practices from the  
21 activities carried out under this sec-  
22 tion; to improve those activities; and

23 “(III) a list of all eligible entities  
24 and community organizations receiv-  
25 ing funds under this section.

1           “(B) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The na-  
 2           tional contractor shall provide technical assist-  
 3           ance to the eligible entities that receive grants  
 4           under this section.

5           “(C) KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT.—The  
 6           national contractor shall maintain a clearing-  
 7           house for information on best practices result-  
 8           ing from initiatives supported by the eligible en-  
 9           tities.

10          “(D) RESERVATION.—Of the funds appro-  
 11          priated under section 501(a)(5)(B) for a fiscal  
 12          year, not more than 5 percent may be used to  
 13          carry out this subsection.

14       **“PART III—INNOVATION FELLOWSHIPS PILOT**  
 15                               **PROGRAM**

16       **“SEC. 167B. PROGRAM.**

17          “(a) GRANTS.—The Corporation shall make grants,  
 18          on a competitive basis, to individuals to pay for the Fed-  
 19          eral share of carrying out projects in which the individuals  
 20          establish innovative nonprofit organizations to address na-  
 21          tional and local challenges.

22          “(b) AMOUNTS, PERIODS, AND NUMBER OF  
 23          GRANTS.—The Corporation shall make the grants for pe-  
 24          riods of 2 years. The Corporation shall make the grants  
 25          in amounts of not more than \$100,000. The Corporation

1 shall make not more than 25 grants under subsection (a)  
 2 in a fiscal year.

3 ~~“(c) PAYMENTS.—The Corporation shall make the~~  
 4 ~~grant awards through annual payments, for the 2 years~~  
 5 ~~of the grant periods.~~

6 ~~“(d) ELIGIBLE APPLICANT.—To be eligible to apply~~  
 7 ~~for a grant under this section, an individual shall—~~

8 ~~“(1) have completed at least 1 term or period~~  
 9 ~~of service as a participant in a national service pro-~~  
 10 ~~gram under subtitle C or G, as a participant in a~~  
 11 ~~program under subtitle E or section 198E, or as a~~  
 12 ~~volunteer in a program under part A of title I of the~~  
 13 ~~Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.~~  
 14 ~~4951 et seq.); or~~

15 ~~“(2) be a veteran, as defined in section 101 of~~  
 16 ~~title 38, United States Code.~~

17 ~~“(e) INITIAL APPLICATION.—~~

18 ~~“(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to receive a~~  
 19 ~~grant under this section, and a payment for the first~~  
 20 ~~year of the grant period, an individual shall submit~~  
 21 ~~an application to the Corporation at such time, in~~  
 22 ~~such manner, and containing such information as~~  
 23 ~~the Corporation may require.~~

24 ~~“(2) CONTENTS.—At a minimum, the applica-~~  
 25 ~~tion shall include—~~

1           “(A) a description of the national or local  
2           challenge that the individual seeks to address  
3           through the project involved;

4           “(B) a description of the project the indi-  
5           vidual is proposing or the organization the indi-  
6           vidual is proposing to establish through the  
7           project, including information describing why  
8           the individual’s proposal to address the chal-  
9           lenge is innovative;

10          “(C) information describing how the indi-  
11          vidual proposes to address the challenge at the  
12          community level; and

13          “(D) information describing the location of  
14          the project and the community the individual  
15          proposes to serve through the project, including  
16          relevant data about the challenge in that com-  
17          munity.

18          “(f) SUBSEQUENT APPLICATION.—To be eligible to  
19          receive a payment for the second year of the grant period;  
20          the individual shall submit to the Corporation—

21               “(1) a report on the actions taken by the indi-  
22               vidual; and, if applicable, the nonprofit organization  
23               established using funds provided under this section;  
24               to carry out the project; and



1           ~~“(2) information describing how the individual~~  
 2           ~~will comply with the non-Federal share requirement~~  
 3           ~~described in subsection (g) for the second year of the~~  
 4           ~~grant period.~~

5           ~~“(g) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—~~

6           ~~“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the~~  
 7           ~~cost of carrying out a project under this section shall~~  
 8           ~~be—~~

9                     ~~“(A) 100 percent for the first year of the~~  
 10           ~~grant period; and~~

11                    ~~“(B) 50 percent for the second year of the~~  
 12           ~~grant period.~~

13           ~~“(2) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The individual~~  
 14           ~~may provide the non-Federal share of the cost in~~  
 15           ~~cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, including plant,~~  
 16           ~~equipment, or services. The individual may provide~~  
 17           ~~the non-Federal share from State, local, or private~~  
 18           ~~sources.~~

19           ~~“(h) CONSIDERATION.—In reviewing applications,~~  
 20           ~~the Corporation shall take into consideration the likelihood~~  
 21           ~~that a project proposed to serve a community, if success-~~  
 22           ~~ful, will be replicable in other communities.~~

23           ~~“(i) GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—In making grants~~  
 24           ~~under this section, the Corporation shall make the grants~~  
 25           ~~to a geographically diverse set of individuals.~~

1       “(j) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Corporation  
 2 may reserve 15 percent of the funds appropriated to carry  
 3 out this section to provide technical assistance to individ-  
 4 uals and nonprofit organizations carrying out projects  
 5 under this section.”.

6       (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
 7 501(a) of the National and Community Service Act of  
 8 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)) is amended by adding at the  
 9 end the following:

10           “(5) SUBTITLE F.—There are authorized to be  
 11 appropriated—

12                   “(A) to carry out section 167, such sums  
 13 as may be necessary for each of fiscal years  
 14 2010 through 2014;

15                   “(B) to carry out section 167A,  
 16 \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, \$60,000,000  
 17 for fiscal year 2011, \$70,000,000 for fiscal year  
 18 2012, \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2013, and  
 19 \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2014, and such  
 20 sums as may be necessary for each subsequent  
 21 fiscal year; and

22                   “(C) to carry out section 167B,  
 23 \$3,500,000 for fiscal year 2010, and  
 24 \$5,000,000 for each subsequent fiscal year.”.

## 1     **Subtitle C—Serveamerica Corps**

### 2     **SEC. 131. CORPS.**

3       (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4           (1) Since 1993, more than 500,000 individuals  
5       have served in national service positions, meeting  
6       unmet human, educational, environmental, and pub-  
7       lic safety needs of the United States.

8           (2) Full- and part-time national service can ef-  
9       fectively promote an ethic of service and volun-  
10      teering, and former national service participants are  
11      likely to remain engaged in national service, and  
12      participate in community and public service, in the  
13      nonprofit sector or government.

14          (3) Focused national service efforts can effec-  
15      tively tackle pressing national challenges, such as  
16      improving education for low-income students, in-  
17      creasing energy conservation, and improving the  
18      health, well-being, and economic opportunities of the  
19      neediest individuals in the Nation.

20          (4) An increasing number of individuals in the  
21      United States who are retiring or age 50 or older in-  
22      dicate an interest in service, with almost 60 percent  
23      of such individuals indicating that they would con-  
24      sider taking jobs now or in the future to serve their  
25      communities.

1       (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

2           (1) to provide opportunities by 2014 for  
3       250,000 individuals annually to participate in a year  
4       of service, by providing funding for an additional  
5       175,000 individuals (in addition to the 75,000 indi-  
6       viduals already participating) each year to so partici-  
7       pate, and to continue growing national service in the  
8       future;

9           (2) to focus national service in the areas of na-  
10      tional need such service has the capacity to address;  
11      such as improving education for low-income stu-  
12      dents, increasing energy conservation, improving ac-  
13      cess to health care for, and the health status of, in-  
14      dividuals in medically underserved populations, and  
15      creating new economic opportunities for low-income  
16      individuals; and

17          (3) to encourage “encore service” and draw on  
18      the talents and experience of individuals age 50 and  
19      older, by providing better opportunities and incen-  
20      tives for individuals of that age to serve.

21      (c) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Title I of the National  
22      and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511  
23      et seq.), as amended by section 121, is further amended  
24      by inserting after subtitle F the following:

1    **“Subtitle G—Serveamerica Corps**

2    **“SEC. 168. CORPS.**

3       “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4           “(1) 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING  
5       CENTER.—The term ‘21st century community learn-  
6       ing center’ has the meaning given the term ‘commu-  
7       nity learning center’, as defined in section 4201 of  
8       the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of  
9       1965 (20 U.S.C. 7171).

10          “(2) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS.—The  
11       term ‘Clean Energy Service Corps’ means the par-  
12       ticipants who improve performance on clean energy  
13       indicators through the grants funded under sub-  
14       section (c)(3).

15          “(3) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS FUND.—  
16       The term ‘Clean Energy Service Corps Fund’ means  
17       the Clean Energy Service Corps Fund established  
18       under subsection (b)(3).

19          “(4) CLEAN ENERGY INDICATORS.—The term  
20       ‘clean energy indicators’ means—

21           “(A) number of housing units of low-in-  
22       come households weatherized or retrofitted to  
23       improve energy efficiency;

1           “(B) annual energy costs (to determine  
2 savings in those costs) at facilities where par-  
3 ticipants have provided service;

4           “(C) number of students and youth receiv-  
5 ing education or training in energy-efficient and  
6 environmentally conscious practices;

7           “(D) number of national parks, State  
8 parks, city parks, county parks, forest pre-  
9 serves, or trails or rivers owned or maintained  
10 by the Federal Government or a State, that are  
11 cleaned or improved;

12           “(E) another indicator relating to clean en-  
13 ergy that the Corporation, in consultation with  
14 the Administrator of the Environmental Protec-  
15 tion Agency and the Secretary of Energy, es-  
16 tablishes for a given year;

17           “(F) another indicator relating to edu-  
18 cation or skill attainment for clean energy jobs  
19 that the Corporation, in consultation with the  
20 Secretary of Labor, establishes for a given year;  
21 and

22           “(G) a local indicator (applicable to a par-  
23 ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-  
24 ment in performance is needed) relating to  
25 clean energy, or education or skill attainment

1           for clean energy jobs, proposed by that eligible  
 2           entity in an application submitted to, and ap-  
 3           proved by, a State Commission or the Corpora-  
 4           tion under this section.

5           “(5) COLLEGE-GOING RATE.—The term ‘col-  
 6           lege-going rate’ means the percentage of high school  
 7           graduates who enroll in an institution of higher edu-  
 8           cation in the school year immediately following grad-  
 9           uation from high school.

10          “(6) EDUCATION CORPS.—The term ‘Education  
 11          Corps’ means the participants who improve perform-  
 12          ance on education indicators through the grants  
 13          funded under subsection (c)(1).

14          “(7) EDUCATION CORPS FUND.—The term  
 15          ‘Education Corps Fund’ means the Education Corps  
 16          Fund established under subsection (b)(1).

17          “(8) EDUCATION INDICATORS.—The term ‘edu-  
 18          cation indicators’ means—

19               “(A) student engagement, including stu-  
 20               dent attendance and student behavior;

21               “(B) student academic achievement;

22               “(C) high school graduation rates;

23               “(D) college-going rates for recipients of a  
 24               high school diploma;

1           “(E) college persistence rates for recipients  
2 of a high school diploma or its generally recog-  
3 nized equivalent who are enrolled in college;

4           “(F) an additional indicator relating to im-  
5 proving education for students that the Cor-  
6 poration, in consultation with the Secretary of  
7 Education, establishes for a given year; and

8           “(G) a local indicator (applicable to a par-  
9 ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-  
10 ment in performance is needed) relating to im-  
11 proving education for students, proposed by  
12 that eligible entity in an application submitted  
13 to, and approved by, a State Commission or the  
14 Corporation under this section.

15           “(9) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-  
16 tity’ means an entity that—

17           “(A) is a nonprofit organization with a  
18 proven record of improving, or a promising  
19 strategy to improve, performance on appro-  
20 priate indicators described in this subsection;

21           “(B) meets the eligibility requirements to  
22 receive a grant under subtitle C; and

23           “(C) if the entity is seeking to receive (or  
24 has received) a grant directly under subsection



1           (c), is seeking to carry out (or is carrying out)  
2           a national service program in 2 or more States.

3           ~~“(10) ENCORE SERVICE PROGRAM.—The term~~  
4           ‘encore service program’ means a program, carried  
5           out by an eligible entity under subsection (c), that—

6                 ~~“(A) involves a significant number of par-~~  
7                 ~~ticipants age 50 or older in the program; and~~

8                 ~~“(B) takes advantage of the skills and ex-~~  
9                 ~~perience that such participants offer in the de-~~  
10                ~~sign and implementation of the program.~~

11           ~~“(11) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.—The term~~  
12           ‘Healthy Futures Corps’ means the participants who  
13           improve performance on health indicators through  
14           the grants funded under subsection (c)(2).

15           ~~“(12) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS FUND.—The~~  
16           term ‘Healthy Futures Corps Fund’ means the  
17           Healthy Futures Corps Fund established under sub-  
18           section (b)(2).

19           ~~“(13) HEALTH INDICATORS.—The term ‘health~~  
20           indicators’ means—

21                 ~~“(A) access to health care among economi-~~  
22                 ~~cally disadvantaged individuals and individuals~~  
23                 ~~who are members of medically underserved pop-~~  
24                 ~~ulations;~~

1           “(B) access to health care for uninsured  
2 individuals, including such individuals who are  
3 economically disadvantaged children;

4           “(C) participation, among economically  
5 disadvantaged individuals and individuals who  
6 are members of medically underserved popu-  
7 lations, in disease prevention and health pro-  
8 motion initiatives, particularly those with a  
9 focus on addressing common health conditions,  
10 addressing chronic diseases, and decreasing  
11 health disparities;

12           “(D) health literacy of patients;

13           “(E) an additional indicator, relating to  
14 improving or protecting the health of economi-  
15 cally disadvantaged individuals and individuals  
16 who are members of medically underserved pop-  
17 ulations, that the Corporation, in consultation  
18 with the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-  
19 ices and the Director of the Centers for Disease  
20 Control and Prevention, establishes for a given  
21 year; and

22           “(F) a local indicator (applicable to a par-  
23 ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-  
24 ment in performance is needed) relating to im-  
25 proving or protecting the health of economically

1           disadvantaged individuals and individuals who  
 2           are members of medically underserved popu-  
 3           lations, proposed by that eligible entity in an  
 4           application submitted to, and approved by, a  
 5           State Commission or the Corporation under  
 6           this section.

7           “(14) HIGH SCHOOL.—The term ‘high school’  
 8           means a public school, including a public high  
 9           school, that provides high school education, as deter-  
 10          mined by State law.

11          “(15) MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREA.—The  
 12          term ‘medically underserved area’ means an urban  
 13          or rural area designated by the Secretary of Health  
 14          and Human Services as an area with a shortage of  
 15          personal health services.

16          “(16) MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED POPU-  
 17          LATION.—The term ‘medically underserved popu-  
 18          lation’ has the meaning given the term in section  
 19          330(b)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42  
 20          U.S.C. 254b(b)(3)).

21          “(17) OPPORTUNITY CORPS.—The term ‘Op-  
 22          portunity Corps’ means the participants who im-  
 23          prove performance on opportunity indicators through  
 24          the grants funded under subsection (c)(4).

1           “(18) OPPORTUNITY CORPS FUND.—The term  
2           ‘Opportunity Corps Fund’ means the Opportunity  
3           Corps Fund established under subsection (b)(4).

4           “(19) OPPORTUNITY INDICATORS.—The term  
5           ‘opportunity indicators’ means—

6                   “(A) financial literacy among economically  
7                   disadvantaged individuals;

8                   “(B) housing units built or improved for  
9                   economically disadvantaged individuals or low-  
10                  income families;

11                  “(C) economically disadvantaged individ-  
12                  uals with access to job training and other skill  
13                  enhancement;

14                  “(D) economically disadvantaged individ-  
15                  uals with access to information about job place-  
16                  ment services;

17                  “(E) an additional indicator relating to im-  
18                  proving economic opportunity for economically  
19                  disadvantaged individuals that the Corporation,  
20                  in consultation with the Secretary of Health  
21                  and Human Services and the Secretary of  
22                  Labor, establishes for a given year; and

23                  “(F) a local indicator (applicable to a par-  
24                  ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-  
25                  ment in performance is needed) relating to im-

1       proving economic opportunity for economically  
 2       disadvantaged individuals, proposed by that eli-  
 3       gible entity in an application submitted to, and  
 4       approved by, a State Commission or the Cor-  
 5       poration under this section.

6       ~~“(20) POVERTY LINE.—The term ‘poverty line’~~  
 7       has the meaning given the term in section 673 of the  
 8       Community Services Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C.  
 9       9902).

10       ~~“(21) STUDENT.—The term ‘student’ means a~~  
 11       public elementary school or public secondary school  
 12       student.

13       ~~“(b) FUNDS AND AVAILABILITY.—~~

14       ~~“(1) EDUCATION CORPS FUND.—From the~~  
 15       funds appropriated under section 501(a)(6), the  
 16       Corporation shall reserve a portion of the funds to  
 17       be known as the Education Corps Fund.

18       ~~“(2) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS FUND.—From~~  
 19       those appropriated funds, the Corporation shall re-  
 20       serve a portion of the funds to be known as the  
 21       Healthy Futures Corps Fund.

22       ~~“(3) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS FUND.—~~  
 23       From those appropriated funds, the Corporation  
 24       shall reserve a portion of the funds to be known as  
 25       the Clean Energy Service Corps Fund.

1           ~~“(4) OPPORTUNITY CORPS FUND.—~~From those  
 2           appropriated funds, the Corporation shall reserve a  
 3           portion of the funds to be known as the Opportunity  
 4           Corps Fund.

5           ~~“(c) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—~~

6           ~~“(1) EDUCATION CORPS.—~~

7                   ~~“(A) GRANTS.—~~The Corporation may use  
 8           the amounts made available for the Education  
 9           Corps Fund to make grants under this para-  
 10          graph to State Commissions and eligible enti-  
 11          ties, as described in paragraph (5).

12                   ~~“(B) PROGRAMS.—~~The Corporation shall  
 13          make the grants to pay for the Federal share  
 14          of the cost of carrying out full- or part-time na-  
 15          tional service programs that are consistent with  
 16          subtitle C and that improve performance on  
 17          education indicators, through the service of the  
 18          participants in the programs.

19           ~~“(2) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.—~~

20                   ~~“(A) GRANTS.—~~The Corporation may use  
 21          the amounts made available for the Healthy  
 22          Futures Corps Fund to make grants under this  
 23          paragraph to State Commissions and eligible  
 24          entities, as described in paragraph (5).

1           “(B) PROGRAMS.—The Corporation shall  
 2           make the grants to pay for the Federal share  
 3           of the cost of carrying out full- or part-time na-  
 4           tional service programs that are consistent with  
 5           subtitle C and that improve performance on  
 6           health indicators, through the service of the  
 7           participants in the programs.

8           “(3) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS.—

9           “(A) GRANTS.—The Corporation may use  
 10          the amounts made available for the Clean En-  
 11          ergy Service Corps Fund to make grants under  
 12          this paragraph to State Commissions and eligi-  
 13          ble entities, as described in paragraph (5).

14          “(B) PROGRAMS.—The Corporation shall  
 15          make the grants to pay for the Federal share  
 16          of the cost of carrying out full- or part-time na-  
 17          tional service programs that are consistent with  
 18          subtitle C and that improve performance on  
 19          clean energy indicators, through the service of  
 20          the participants in the programs.

21          “(4) OPPORTUNITY CORPS.—

22          “(A) GRANTS.—The Corporation may use  
 23          the amounts made available for the Opportunity  
 24          Corps Fund to make grants under this para-

graph to State Commissions and eligible entities, as described in paragraph (5).

“(B) PROGRAMS.—The Corporation shall make the grants to pay for the Federal share of the cost of carrying out full- or part-time national service programs that are consistent with subtitle C and that improve performance on opportunity indicators, through the service of the participants in the programs.

“(5) FORMULA AND COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—For purposes of making grants under paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (4), the Corporation shall carry out the following:

“(A) FORMULA GRANTS.—

“(i) GRANTS TO CERTAIN STATES.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—From 33⅓ percent of the amount available in the Fund described in that paragraph for a fiscal year (after the Corporation makes the reservation described in subsection (i)), the Corporation shall make grants (including financial assistance and a corresponding allotment of approved national service positions). The Corporation shall make



1 the grants to the State Commission of  
 2 each of the several States, the District  
 3 of Columbia, and the Commonwealth  
 4 of Puerto Rico that has an application  
 5 approved by the Corporation under  
 6 subsection (c), from allotments de-  
 7 scribed in subclause (H).

8 “(H) ALLOTMENT.—The amount  
 9 allotted as a grant to each such State  
 10 under subclause (I) for a fiscal year  
 11 shall be equal to the amount that  
 12 bears the same ratio to that  $33\frac{1}{3}$  per-  
 13 cent of the amount available in that  
 14 Fund for that fiscal year as the popu-  
 15 lation of the State bears to the total  
 16 population of the several States, the  
 17 District of Columbia, and the Com-  
 18 monwealth of Puerto Rico.

19 “(ii) GRANTS TO CERTAIN TERRI-  
 20 TORIES AND POSSESSIONS.—

21 “(I) IN GENERAL.—From 1 per-  
 22 cent of the amount available in the  
 23 Fund described in that paragraph for  
 24 a fiscal year (after the Corporation  
 25 makes the reservation described in

1 subsection (i)), the Corporation shall  
 2 make grants (including financial as-  
 3 sistance and a corresponding allot-  
 4 ment of approved national service po-  
 5 sitions). The Corporation shall make  
 6 the grants to the State Commission  
 7 for each of the United States Virgin  
 8 Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and  
 9 the Commonwealth of the Northern  
 10 Mariana Islands that has an applica-  
 11 tion approved by the Corporation  
 12 under subsection (e), from allotments  
 13 described in subclause (H).

14 “(H) ALLOTMENT.—The amount  
 15 allotted as a grant to each such State  
 16 under subclause (I) for a fiscal year  
 17 shall be equal to the amount that  
 18 bears the same ratio to that 1 percent  
 19 of the amount available in that Fund  
 20 for that fiscal year as the population  
 21 of the State bears to the total popu-  
 22 lation of the States referred to in sub-  
 23 clause (I).

24 “(iii) GRANTS TO INDIAN TRIBES.—

1           “(I) IN GENERAL.—From 1 per-  
 2           cent of the amount available in the  
 3           Fund described in that paragraph for  
 4           a fiscal year (after the Corporation  
 5           makes the reservation described in  
 6           subsection (i)), the Corporation shall  
 7           make grants (including financial as-  
 8           sistance and a corresponding allot-  
 9           ment of approved national service po-  
 10          sitions) to Indian tribes that have ap-  
 11          plications approved by the Corpora-  
 12          tion under subsection (e). The funds  
 13          allotted for such grants shall be allot-  
 14          ted by the Corporation on a competi-  
 15          tive basis in accordance with the re-  
 16          spective needs of the Indian tribes.

17          “(II) APPLICATION.—For pur-  
 18          poses of this subtitle, other than this  
 19          subparagraph, a reference to a State  
 20          Commission shall be considered to in-  
 21          clude a reference to the governing  
 22          body of an Indian tribe, and a ref-  
 23          erence to a State shall be considered  
 24          to include a reference to an Indian  
 25          tribe or the geographic area in which

1 the tribe resides. The Corporation  
 2 shall have authority to issue standards  
 3 to apply the provisions of this subtitle  
 4 (other than this subparagraph) to In-  
 5 dian tribes.

6 ~~“(iv) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO~~  
 7 ~~APPLY.—If a State or Indian tribe fails to~~  
 8 ~~apply for, or fails to give notice to the Cor-~~  
 9 ~~poration of its intent to apply for, an allot-~~  
 10 ~~ment under this subparagraph, the Cor-~~  
 11 ~~poration shall use the amount that would~~  
 12 ~~have been allotted under this subparagraph~~  
 13 ~~to the State or Indian tribe—~~

14 ~~“(I) to make grants (including fi-~~  
 15 ~~nancial assistance and a cor-~~  
 16 ~~responding allotment of approved na-~~  
 17 ~~tional service positions) to other eligi-~~  
 18 ~~ble entities that propose to carry out~~  
 19 ~~national service programs in the State~~  
 20 ~~on behalf of the Indian tribe; and~~

21 ~~“(II) after making grants under~~  
 22 ~~subclause (I), to make a reallocation~~  
 23 ~~to other States and Indian tribes that~~  
 24 ~~have applications approved by the~~  
 25 ~~Corporation under subsection (c).~~

1           “(B) COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—From the  
 2 remainder of the amount available in that Fund  
 3 for that fiscal year, the Corporation shall make  
 4 grants (including such assistance and cor-  
 5 responding allotment), on a competitive basis,  
 6 to State Commissions and eligible entities that  
 7 have such approved applications.

8           “(6) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

9           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise  
 10 expressly provided in this section and subtitle  
 11 D, the terms and conditions of grants made  
 12 under this subsection shall be consistent with  
 13 the provisions of subtitle C concerning terms  
 14 and conditions of grants made under section  
 15 121(a). Those terms and conditions shall apply  
 16 with respect to grants and allotments requested,  
 17 national service positions and national service  
 18 programs proposed, and applications submitted,  
 19 under this section.

20           “(B) INVESTMENT IN NATIONAL SERV-  
 21 ICE.—For purposes of applying the provisions  
 22 of part I of subtitle C under this subsection,  
 23 sections 122(e), 125, and 126 shall not apply.

24           “(C) APPLICATION, APPROVAL, AND ALLO-  
 25 CATION.—State Commissions and eligible enti-

ties shall apply for the grants, and the grants (and the financial assistance and approved national service positions made available through the grants) shall be allocated among State Commissions and eligible entities, in a manner consistent with this section. Except as otherwise provided in this section, subsections (a) through (d) of section 129, subsections (a) through (d), and (g), of section 130, subsections (a)(1) and (f) of section 131, and subsections (a), (b), (d), and (e) of section 133 shall not apply to such applications and allocations.

~~“(D) NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICIPANTS.—~~

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this section and subtitle D, the terms and conditions that apply to participants in programs carried out under such grants (including provisions relating to participant eligibility, selection, terms of service, and benefits) shall be consistent with the provisions of subtitle C concerning terms and conditions that apply to participants in programs under subtitle C.

~~“(7) NUMBER OF POSITIONS.—The Corporation shall—~~

1           “(A) establish or increase the number of  
2           positions that are approved as approved na-  
3           tional service positions under this subtitle dur-  
4           ing each of fiscal years 2010 through 2014;

5           “(B) establish the number of the approved  
6           positions as 25,000 for fiscal year 2010; and

7           “(C) increase the number of the approved  
8           positions to—

9                   “(i) 50,000 for fiscal year 2011;

10                   “(ii) 75,000 for fiscal year 2012;

11                   “(iii) 125,000 for fiscal year 2013;

12                   and

13                   “(iv) 175,000 for fiscal year 2014.

14           “(d) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—

15                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—Eligible entities shall carry  
16           out the national service programs under subsection  
17           (e).

18                   “(2) QUALIFICATION.—To be qualified to carry  
19           out a national service program under subsection (e),  
20           an eligible entity shall—

21                   “(A) receive a grant under subsection (e);

22                   or

23                   “(B) be selected to carry out the program  
24           through a competitive process, by a State Com-

1 mission that receives a grant under subsection  
2 (e).

3 ~~“(e) APPLICATION.—~~

4 ~~“(1) IN GENERAL.—To be qualified to receive a~~  
5 ~~grant under subsection (e) for a national service pro-~~  
6 ~~gram, a State Commission or an eligible entity shall~~  
7 ~~submit an application to the Corporation at such~~  
8 ~~time, in such manner, and containing such informa-~~  
9 ~~tion as the Corporation may require, which shall in-~~  
10 ~~clude—~~

11 ~~“(A) information describing how the eligi-~~  
12 ~~ble entity proposed to carry out the program~~  
13 ~~proposes to utilize funds under a paragraph of~~  
14 ~~subsection (e) to improve performance on the~~  
15 ~~corresponding indicators described in subsection~~  
16 ~~(a) utilizing participants, including the activities~~  
17 ~~in which such participants will engage to im-~~  
18 ~~prove performance on those indicators;~~

19 ~~“(B) information identifying the geo-~~  
20 ~~graphical area in which the eligible entity pro-~~  
21 ~~posed to carry out the program proposes to use~~  
22 ~~funds under a paragraph of subsection (e) to~~  
23 ~~improve performance on the corresponding indi-~~  
24 ~~cators described in subsection (a), including de-~~  
25 ~~mographic information on the students or indi-~~



viduals, as appropriate, in such area, and statistics demonstrating the need to improve such indicators in such area;

“(C) with respect to a grant to carry out a national service program under a paragraph of subsection (c), information describing the experience of the eligible entity proposed to carry out the program in improving performance on the corresponding indicators described in subsection (a), including whether the entity has previously utilized participants to improve performance on such indicators, and if so, the activities in which such participants have engaged;

“(D) if applicable, information on how the eligible entity described in subparagraph (A) will work with other community-based agencies to carry out activities to improve performance on the corresponding indicators described in subsection (a) using such funds;

“(E) a description of—

“(i) the type of positions into which participants will be placed, using the assistance provided under subsection (c), including descriptions of the specific tasks to

1 be performed by such participants; and the  
 2 minimum qualifications that individuals  
 3 will be required to meet to become partici-  
 4 pants in such program; and

5 “(ii) the number of proposed full- and  
 6 part-time national service positions for  
 7 which participants will receive the national  
 8 service educational award described in sub-  
 9 title D;

10 “(F) a description consistent with the de-  
 11 scription required by section 130(b)(12) for the  
 12 national service positions proposed;

13 “(G) information and assurances con-  
 14 sistent with those described in subsections (e)  
 15 and (f) of section 130, subsections (a)(2), (b),  
 16 (c), (d)(1), and (e) of section 131, and section  
 17 132(a), for the grant requested and the na-  
 18 tional service program and national service po-  
 19 sitions proposed, except as provided in sub-  
 20 section (g)(1)(B);

21 “(H) measurable goals, to be used for an-  
 22 nual measurements of the program on 1 or  
 23 more of the corresponding indicators described  
 24 in subsection (a);

1           “(I) if the program is designed to improve  
 2           economic opportunity by engaging economically  
 3           disadvantaged individuals as participants—

4                 “(i) the estimated percentages of par-  
 5                 ticipants who will be economically dis-  
 6                 advantaged individuals; and

7                 “(ii) if applicable, information on the  
 8                 education, skills, training, support services,  
 9                 transitional services, and leadership devel-  
 10                 opment activities those individuals will re-  
 11                 ceive that will assist those individuals in  
 12                 obtaining jobs or a college degree after  
 13                 completion of their service under the grant;

14                 “(J) in the case of a grant under sub-  
 15                 section (c)(1), information on how the eligible  
 16                 entity described in subparagraph (A) will enter  
 17                 into partnerships with local educational agen-  
 18                 cies and schools to carry out activities to im-  
 19                 prove performance on education indicators  
 20                 using funds received under subsection (c);

21                 “(K) in the case of a grant under sub-  
 22                 section (c)(4), information on the number and  
 23                 percentage of individuals, including children, in  
 24                 families with family incomes below the poverty  
 25                 line in the community to be served;

1           “(L) a description of how members of the  
2           community to be served were involved in the de-  
3           velopment of the application; and

4           “(M) any other information the Corpora-  
5           tion may require.

6           ~~“(2) REQUEST FOR WAIVER.—~~

7           ~~“(A) REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO EDU-~~  
8           ~~CATIONAL AWARDS.—~~An applicant may include  
9           in the application a request for a waiver (in-  
10          cluding a justification of the need for such  
11          waiver and information describing how such  
12          waiver will assist the applicant in improving  
13          performance on the appropriate indicators de-  
14          scribed in subsection (a)) of requirements relat-  
15          ing to the Corporation’s provision of a national  
16          service educational award to or on behalf of a  
17          participant in the program; which may in-  
18          clude—

19               “(i) in the case of a grant under sub-  
20               section (c)(1), requirements relating to the  
21               minimum age for a participant under sec-  
22               tion ~~137(a)(4)~~; and

23               “(ii) in the case of a grant under any  
24               paragraph of subsection (c), requirements  
25               relating to individuals who receive a na-

1            tional service educational award under sec-  
 2            tion 146(a) and related provisions, to allow  
 3            the eligible entity proposed to carry out the  
 4            program to select participants to serve in  
 5            approved national service positions (with  
 6            eligibility for national service educational  
 7            awards) from among a prespecified group  
 8            of participants, if the request describes the  
 9            process by which the participants serving  
 10          in such positions will be selected from such  
 11          group.

12            “(B) REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO USE  
 13          OF ALLOTMENTS FOR PROGRAMS.—

14            “(i) IN GENERAL.—A State Commis-  
 15          sion may include in the application a re-  
 16          quest that the Corporation—

17            “(I) waive provisions requiring  
 18          the State to use an allotment from a  
 19          Fund, described in subsection  
 20          (e)(5)(A), for corresponding programs  
 21          described in a paragraph of subsection  
 22          (e); and

23            “(II) permit the State to use  
 24          funds from the allotment for other

1 programs described in another para-  
 2 graph of subsection (c).

3 “(ii) INFORMATION.—The State Com-  
 4 mission shall include in the request—

5 “(I) information demonstrating  
 6 that the State has not received a suf-  
 7 ficient number of applications of ade-  
 8 quate quality to carry out the cor-  
 9 responding programs referred to in  
 10 clause (i)(I); and

11 “(II) information identifying the  
 12 other programs referred to in clause  
 13 (i)(II); and the amount of funds from  
 14 the allotment that the State intends  
 15 to use for each such program.

16 “(iii) TREATMENT.—If the Corpora-  
 17 tion approves the waiver, and permits the  
 18 State to use funds from the allotment for  
 19 programs described in a paragraph of sub-  
 20 section (c), for purposes of this subtitle  
 21 (other than subsection (c)(5)(A)); the  
 22 funds shall be considered to be part of a  
 23 grant made under that paragraph.

24 “(3) LIMITATION ON SAME PROJECT IN MUL-  
 25 TIPLE APPLICATIONS.—The Corporation shall reject

an application submitted under this subsection if a project proposed to be conducted using assistance requested by the applicant is already described in another application pending before the Corporation.

~~“(f) CONSULTATION.—~~

~~“(1) OFFICIALS.—~~

~~“(A) EDUCATION CORPS.—The Corporation shall consult with the Secretary of Education as appropriate in making grants under subsection (c)(1) and developing additional indicators described in subsection (a)(8)(F).~~

~~“(B) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.—The Corporation shall consult with the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as appropriate in making grants under subsection (c)(2) and developing additional indicators described in subsection (a)(13)(E).~~

~~“(C) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS.—~~  
~~The Corporation shall consult with—~~

~~“(i) the Secretary of Energy and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency as appropriate in making grants under subsection (c)(3) and devel-~~

1           oping additional indicators described in  
2           subsection (a)(4)(E); and

3           ~~“(ii) the Secretary of Labor in making~~  
4           ~~grants under section (c)(3) and developing~~  
5           ~~additional indicators described in sub-~~  
6           ~~section (a)(4)(F).~~

7           ~~“(D) OPPORTUNITY CORPS.—The Corpora-~~  
8           ~~tion shall consult with the Secretary of Health~~  
9           ~~and Human Services and the Secretary of~~  
10          ~~Labor as appropriate in making grants under~~  
11          ~~subsection (c)(4) and developing additional indi-~~  
12          ~~cators described in subsection (a)(19)(E).~~

13          ~~“(2) REVIEW PANELS.—The Corporation~~  
14          ~~shall—~~

15          ~~“(A) establish panels of experts for the~~  
16          ~~purpose of securing recommendations on appli-~~  
17          ~~cations submitted under subsection (c) for more~~  
18          ~~than \$250,000 in assistance; or for a number of~~  
19          ~~national service positions that would require~~  
20          ~~more than \$250,000 in national service edu-~~  
21          ~~cational awards; and~~

22          ~~“(B) consider the opinions of such panels~~  
23          ~~prior to making determinations on such applica-~~  
24          ~~tions.~~



1       “(g) ALLOCATION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND  
2 POSITIONS.—

3           “(1) ALLOCATION.—

4               “(A) IN GENERAL.—In making grants  
5 under subsection (e), the Corporation shall allo-  
6 cate the financial assistance and approved na-  
7 tional service positions provided through the  
8 grants among eligible entities proposed to carry  
9 out national service programs described in sub-  
10 section (e).

11           “(B) APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE POSI-  
12 TIONS ONLY.—In making those grants, the Cor-  
13 poration—

14               “(i) may make some grants that pro-  
15 vide only approved national service posi-  
16 tions (as opposed to financial assistance  
17 and such positions) for some or all of the  
18 participants in the national service pro-  
19 grams involved; but

20               “(ii) shall ensure that not more than  
21 35 percent of the participants in the na-  
22 tional service programs described in sub-  
23 section (e) will receive only approved na-  
24 tional service positions through the grants.

1           “(C) FULL-TIME POSITIONS.—In making  
 2           the grants, the Corporation shall ensure that 50  
 3           percent of the approved national service posi-  
 4           tions provided through the grants shall be full-  
 5           time national service positions.

6           “(2) PRIORITY.—In awarding financial assist-  
 7           ance and approved national service positions to eligi-  
 8           ble entities proposed to carry out national service  
 9           programs described in subsection (c)—

10           “(A) in the case of a grant under sub-  
 11           section (c)(2)—

12           “(i) the Corporation may give priority  
 13           to such eligible entities that propose to de-  
 14           velop policies to provide, and provide, sup-  
 15           port for participants who, after completing  
 16           service under this section, will undertake  
 17           careers to improve performance on health  
 18           indicators; and

19           “(ii) the Corporation shall give pri-  
 20           ority to such eligible entities that propose  
 21           to carry out national service programs in  
 22           medically underserved areas;

23           “(B) in the case of a grant under sub-  
 24           section (c)(3), the Corporation shall give pri-  
 25           ority to such eligible entities that propose to re-

1       enroll individuals for the Clean Energy Service  
 2       Corps so that significant percentages of partici-  
 3       pants in the Corps are economically disadvan-  
 4       taged individuals; and provide to such individ-  
 5       uals support services and education and train-  
 6       ing to develop skills needed for clean energy  
 7       jobs for which there is current demand or pro-  
 8       jected future demand; and

9               “(C) in the case of a grant under sub-  
 10       section (c)(4), the Corporation shall give pri-  
 11       ority to such eligible entities that propose to—

12               “(i) improve economic opportunity by  
 13       engaging a significant percentage of eco-  
 14       nomically disadvantaged individuals as par-  
 15       ticipants to provide services and benefits to  
 16       other economically disadvantaged individ-  
 17       uals; or

18               “(ii) serve a community with a high  
 19       number and percentage of individuals, in-  
 20       cluding children, in families with family in-  
 21       comes below the poverty line.

22       “(3) GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—The Corpora-  
 23       tion shall ensure that eligible entities receiving fi-  
 24       nancial assistance or positions under subsection (c)  
 25       are geographically diverse and include entities pro-

posing national service programs to be conducted in urban or rural areas.

~~“(4) ENCORE SERVICE PROGRAMS.—~~

~~“(A) FORMULA GRANTS.—Each State receiving a grant under subsection (c)(5)(A) for a fiscal year shall make an effort to make available not less than 10 percent of the financial assistance and approved national service positions provided through the grant for that fiscal year to eligible entities proposed to carry out encore service programs, unless the State Commission involved does not receive a sufficient number of applications of adequate quality to justify making that percentage available to those eligible entities.~~

~~“(B) COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—In making grants under subsection (c)(5)(B) for a fiscal year, the Corporation shall make an effort to allocate not less than 10 percent of the financial assistance and approved national service positions provided through the grants for that fiscal year to eligible entities proposed to carry out encore service programs, unless the Corporation does not receive a sufficient number of applications of adequate quality to justify mak-~~

1           ing that percentage available to those eligible  
2           entities.

3           ~~“(5) EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—A participant~~  
4           who serves in a national service program that re-  
5           ceives a grant under subsection (e) shall be consid-  
6           ered to have served in an approved national service  
7           position and, upon meeting the requirements of sec-  
8           tion 147 (or the requirements specified in a waiver  
9           granted under subsection (e)(2)(A)), shall be eligible  
10          for a national service educational award described in  
11          section 147. The Corporation shall transfer an ap-  
12          propriate amount of funds to the National Service  
13          Trust to provide for the national service educational  
14          awards for such participants.

15         ~~“(h) USE OF ASSISTANCE.—~~

16         ~~“(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—An eligible entity~~  
17         that receives financial assistance or positions under  
18         a paragraph of subsection (e) shall use the financial  
19         assistance or positions to carry out full-time or part-  
20         time national service programs, including summer  
21         programs, described in that paragraph of subsection  
22         (e) that are designed to improve performance on the  
23         corresponding indicators described in subsection (a)  
24         in low-income communities.

1           “(2) PARTICIPANT ACTIVITIES.—A participant  
 2           in such a program shall address identified commu-  
 3           nity needs by carrying out activities (which may in-  
 4           clude providing direct service, recruiting and coordi-  
 5           nating the activities of volunteers providing direct  
 6           service, and building the capacity of local organiza-  
 7           tions and communities) designed to improve per-  
 8           formance on the corresponding indicators described  
 9           in subsection (a), such as—

10               “(A) in the case of a program carried out  
 11               under subsection (c)(1)—

12                   “(i) tutoring, or providing other aca-  
 13                   demic support to students;

14                   “(ii) mentoring students, including  
 15                   adult or peer mentoring;

16                   “(iii) linking needed integrated serv-  
 17                   ices and comprehensive supports with stu-  
 18                   dents, their families, and their public  
 19                   schools;

20                   “(iv) improving the school climate in-  
 21                   volved;

22                   “(v) providing assistance to a school  
 23                   in expanding the school day by strength-  
 24                   ening the quality of staff in an expanded  
 25                   learning time initiative, a program of a

21st century community learning center, or  
a high-quality after-school program;

“(vi) assisting schools and local educational agencies in improving and expanding high-quality service-learning programs that keep students engaged in schools by providing service-learning coordinators; and

“(vii) involving family members of students in supporting teachers and students;

“(B) in the case of a program carried out under subsection (c)(2)—

“(i) assisting economically disadvantaged individuals in navigating the health care system;

“(ii) assisting individuals in obtaining access to health care for themselves or their children;

“(iii) educating economically disadvantaged individuals and individuals who are members of medically underserved populations about, and engaging individuals described in this clause in, initiatives regarding navigating the health care system

and regarding disease prevention and health promotion, with a particular focus on common health conditions, chronic diseases, and conditions, for which disease prevention and health promotion measures exist and for which socioeconomic, geographic, and racial and ethnic health disparities exist, such as initiatives concerning—

“(I) cardiovascular disease;

“(II) diabetes education;

“(III) cancer screening;

“(IV) HIV infection or AIDS;

“(V) immunizations; and

“(VI) infant mortality;

“(iv) improving health literacy of patients;

“(v) providing translation services at clinics and in emergency rooms to improve health care; and

“(vi) assisting in health promotion interventions that improve health status, and helping people adopt and maintain healthy lifestyles and habits to improve health status;



1           “(C) in the case of a program carried out  
2           under subsection (c)(3)—

3           “(i) weatherizing and retrofitting  
4           housing units for low-income households to  
5           improve the energy efficiency of such hous-  
6           ing units;

7           “(ii) building energy efficient housing  
8           units in low-income communities;

9           “(iii) conducting energy audits for  
10          low-income households and recommending  
11          ways for the households to improve energy  
12          efficiency;

13          “(iv) working with schools and youth  
14          programs to educate students and youth  
15          about ways to reduce home energy use and  
16          improve the environment, including con-  
17          ducting service-learning projects to provide  
18          such education;

19          “(v) assisting in the development of  
20          local recycling programs;

21          “(vi) improving national and State  
22          parks, city parks, county parks, forest pre-  
23          serves, and trails owned or maintained by  
24          the Federal Government or a State, includ-

1           ing planting trees, carrying out reforest-  
2           ation, and making trail enhancements; and

3           “~~(vii)~~ cleaning and improving rivers  
4           maintained by the Federal Government or  
5           a State; and

6           “~~(D)~~ in the case of a program carried out  
7           under subsection ~~(c)~~(4)—

8           “~~(i)~~ providing financial literacy edu-  
9           cation to economically disadvantaged indi-  
10          viduals, including financial literacy edu-  
11          cation with regard to credit management,  
12          financial institutions including banks and  
13          credit unions, and utilization of savings  
14          plans;

15          “~~(ii)~~ assisting in the construction of  
16          housing units including energy efficient  
17          homes, in low-income communities;

18          “~~(iii)~~ assisting individuals in obtaining  
19          access to health care for themselves or  
20          their children;

21          “~~(iv)~~ assisting individuals in obtaining  
22          information about Federal, State, local, or  
23          private programs or benefits focused on as-  
24          sisting economically disadvantaged individ-

1 uals, economically disadvantaged children,  
2 or low-income families;

3 “(v) improving opportunities for eco-  
4 nomically disadvantaged children and  
5 youth to become involved in youth develop-  
6 ment organizations;

7 “(vi) facilitating enrollment in and  
8 completion of job training for economically  
9 disadvantaged individuals; and

10 “(vii) assisting economically disadvan-  
11 tagged individuals in obtaining access to job  
12 placement assistance.

13 “(i) RESERVATION OF FUNDS FOR REVIEW PANELS  
14 AND TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Before allotting funds  
16 under subsection (c)(5), the Corporation shall re-  
17 serve an equal percentage (but not more than 4 per-  
18 cent) of the amounts available in each Fund de-  
19 scribed in a paragraph of subsection (b), to—

20 “(A) carry out activities concerning review  
21 panels as provided in subsection (f)(2); and

22 “(B) provide training and technical assist-  
23 ance to eligible entities, including training and  
24 technical assistance to assist eligible entities

1 carrying out national service programs with a  
 2 Corps described in subsection (a) in—

3 “(i) coordinating efforts; and

4 “(ii) improving the ability of the  
 5 Corps to improve performance on the cor-  
 6 responding indicators described in sub-  
 7 section (a).

8 “(2) TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

9 The Corporation may, as appropriate, consult with  
 10 the corresponding officials described in subsection  
 11 (f)(1) in planning and carrying out the training and  
 12 technical assistance.

13 “(j) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the end  
 14 of each fiscal year for which the Corporation makes grants  
 15 under a paragraph of subsection (c), the Corporation shall  
 16 prepare and submit to Congress a report containing—

17 “(1)(A) information describing how the Cor-  
 18 poration allocated financial assistance and approved  
 19 national service positions among eligible entities pro-  
 20 posed to carry out national service programs de-  
 21 scribed in that paragraph for that fiscal year; and

22 “(B) information describing the amount of fi-  
 23 nancial assistance and the number of approved na-  
 24 tional service positions the Corporation provided to

1 each national service program described in a para-  
 2 graph of subsection (c) for that fiscal year;

3 “(2) a measure of the extent to which the na-  
 4 tional service programs improved performance on  
 5 the corresponding indicators described in subsection  
 6 (a); and

7 “(3) information describing how the Corpora-  
 8 tion is coordinating—

9 “(A) the national service programs funded  
 10 under that paragraph; with

11 “(B) applicable programs, as determined  
 12 by the Corporation, carried out under subtitles  
 13 B and C of this title, and part A of title I and  
 14 parts A and B of title II of the Domestic Vol-  
 15 unteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et  
 16 seq., 5001, 5011) that improve performance on  
 17 those indicators or otherwise address identified  
 18 community needs.

19 “(k) INCENTIVES FOR ENCORE SERVICE.—

20 “(1) INCENTIVES STUDY.—

21 “(A) STUDY.—The Corporation shall study  
 22 the use of additional incentives (other than in-  
 23 centives provided by this Act on the date of en-  
 24 actment of the Serve America Act), to attract

1 individuals who are age 50 or older to perform  
 2 service under subtitle C or this subtitle.

3 “(B) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years  
 4 after the date of enactment of the Serve Amer-  
 5 ica Act, the Corporation shall prepare and sub-  
 6 mit to Congress a report containing the results  
 7 of the study.

8 “(2) INCENTIVES.—Not later than 2 years after  
 9 the date of enactment of the Serve America Act, the  
 10 Corporation shall, notwithstanding any other provi-  
 11 sion of this title, implement through a pilot program  
 12 additional incentives that the Corporation has found,  
 13 through the study described in paragraph (1), to be  
 14 effective to attract individuals described in para-  
 15 graph (1)(A) to perform service under subtitle C or  
 16 this subtitle.”.

17 (d) NATIONAL SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—

18 (1) TRUST.—Section 145 of the National and  
 19 Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12601)  
 20 is amended—

21 (A) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “see-  
 22 tion 501(a)(2)” and inserting “paragraph (2)  
 23 or (6) of section 501(a)”;

24 (B) in subsection (d)(4), by striking “sub-  
 25 title C” and inserting “subtitle C or G”.

1           (2) INCREASED NUMBER OF TERMS OF SERVICE  
 2           TO ENCOURAGE ENCORE SERVICE OPPORTUNI-  
 3           TIES.—Section 146 of the National and Community  
 4           Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12602) is amend-  
 5           ed—

6                   (A) in subsection (c)—

7                           (i) by striking “Although” and insert-  
 8                           ing the following:

9                           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Although”; and

10                           (ii) by adding at the end the fol-  
 11                           lowing:

12                   “(2) TERMS OF SERVICE FOR ENCORE SERVICE  
 13           OPPORTUNITIES.—

14                           “(A) NUMBER OF TERMS.—Notwith-  
 15                           standing paragraph (1) and section 147, a par-  
 16                           ticipant who is age 50 or older on the first day  
 17                           of the participant’s service under subtitle C or  
 18                           G may receive a national service educational  
 19                           award for not more than 3 terms of service  
 20                           under subtitle C or G.

21                           “(B) AMOUNT OF AWARD.—The partici-  
 22                           pant shall receive—

23                                   “(i) a national service educational  
 24                                   award in the amount described in the cor-  
 25                                   responding provision of section 147, for

1 the first or second term of such service;  
 2 and

3 “(ii) a reduced national service edu-  
 4 cational award equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the amount  
 5 described in the corresponding provision of  
 6 section 147, for the third term of such  
 7 service.”; and

8 (B) in subsection (d), by adding at the end  
 9 the following:

10 “(3) TERM FOR TRANSFERRED EDUCATIONAL  
 11 AWARDS.—For purposes of applying paragraphs (1)  
 12 and (2)(A) to an individual who is eligible to receive  
 13 an educational award as a designated individual (as  
 14 defined in section 148(f)(3)), references to a seven-  
 15 year period shall be considered to be references to a  
 16 15-year period that begins on the date the individual  
 17 who transferred the educational award to the des-  
 18 ignated individual completed the term of service in  
 19 the approved national service position that is the  
 20 basis of the award.”.

21 (3) EDUCATIONAL AWARD TRANSFERS TO EN-  
 22 COURAGE ENCORE SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES.—Sec-  
 23 tion 148 of the National and Community Service Act  
 24 of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12604) is amended—



(A) in subsection (c)(5), by striking “sub-  
title C” and inserting “subtitle C or the appro-  
priate national service program under subtitle  
G, as applicable”;

(B) by redesignating subsections (f) and  
(g) as subsections (g) and (h), respectively; and

(C) by inserting after subsection (e) the  
following:

“(f) TRANSFER OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—An individual who is eligi-  
ble to receive a national service educational award  
under a program described in paragraph (2) may  
elect to receive a reduced national service edu-  
cational award (equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the amount described  
in the corresponding provision of section 147) and  
transfer the award to a designated individual. Sub-  
sections (b), (c), and (d) shall apply to the des-  
ignated individual in lieu of the individual who is eli-  
gible to receive the national service educational  
award, except that amounts refunded to the account  
under subsection (c)(5) on behalf of a designated in-  
dividual may be used by the Corporation to fund ad-  
ditional placements in the national service program  
in which the eligible individual who transferred the

1 national service educational award participated for  
2 such award.

3 ~~“(2) CONDITIONS FOR TRANSFER.—A national~~  
4 service educational award may be transferred under  
5 this subsection if—

6 ~~“(A) the educational award is for service in~~  
7 a national service program that receives a grant  
8 under subtitle G; and

9 ~~“(B) the eligible individual is age 50 or~~  
10 older.

11 ~~“(3) DEFINITION OF A DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL.—In this subsection, the term ‘designated~~  
12 individual’ is an individual—

14 ~~“(A) whom an individual who is eligible to~~  
15 receive a national service educational award  
16 under a program described in paragraph (2)  
17 designates to receive the educational award;

18 ~~“(B) who meets the eligibility requirements~~  
19 of paragraphs (3) and (4) of section 146(a);  
20 and

21 ~~“(C) who is a child or grandchild of the in-~~  
22 dividual described in subparagraph (A).”.

23 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
24 501(a) of the National and Community Service Act of  
25 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)), as amended by section

1 121(b), is further amended by adding at the end the fol-  
 2 lowing:

3           “(6) ~~SERVEAMERICA~~ CORPS.—There are au-  
 4 thorized to be appropriated such sums as may be  
 5 necessary for each of fiscal years 2010 through 2014  
 6 to provide financial assistance under subtitle G of  
 7 title I and to provide national service educational  
 8 awards under subtitle D of title I (including pro-  
 9 viding financial assistance and national service edu-  
 10 cational awards to participants in national service  
 11 positions, established or increased as provided in  
 12 section 168(c)(7)).”.

## 13       **Subtitle D—Civic Health Index**

### 14       **SEC. 141. INDEX.**

15       (a) ~~IN GENERAL.~~—Section 179 of the National and  
 16 Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12639) is  
 17 amended by adding at the end the following:

18       “(j) ~~CIVIC HEALTH INDEX AND VOLUNTEERING RE-~~  
 19 ~~SEARCH AND EVALUATION.~~—

20           “(1) ~~DEFINITION OF PARTNERSHIP.~~—In this  
 21 subsection, the term ‘partnership’ means a partner-  
 22 ship formed by the Corporation, the Director of the  
 23 Bureau of the Census, and the Commissioner of  
 24 Labor Statistics, in conjunction with (consistent  
 25 with the terms of an agreement entered into between

1 the Corporation and the National Conference) the  
 2 National Conference on Citizenship referred to in  
 3 section ~~150701~~ of title 36, United States Code, to  
 4 carry out this subsection.

5 “(2) IN GENERAL.—The partnership shall es-  
 6 tablish a Civic Health Index by collecting civic  
 7 health data, conducting related analyses, and report-  
 8 ing the data and analyses, as described in this sub-  
 9 section.

10 “(3) COLLECTION OF DATA.—

11 “(A) INDICATORS.—

12 “(i) IN GENERAL.—In collecting data  
 13 for the Index, the partnership shall collect  
 14 data on various indicators established by  
 15 the partnership, including indicators re-  
 16 lated to—

17 “(I) volunteering and community  
 18 service;

19 “(II) voting and other forms of  
 20 political and civic engagement;

21 “(III) charitable giving;

22 “(IV) connecting to civic groups  
 23 and faith-based organizations;

1                   “(V) interest in employment, and  
 2                   careers, in public service in the non-  
 3                   profit sector or government; and

4                   “(VI) understanding and obtain-  
 5                   ing knowledge of United States his-  
 6                   tory and government.

7                   “(ii) **UPDATING.**—The partnership  
 8                   shall periodically evaluate and update the  
 9                   indicators.

10                  “(B) **DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS.**—  
 11                  The partnership shall collect data for the Index  
 12                  in a manner that will permit the partnership to  
 13                  analyze the data by age group, race and eth-  
 14                  nicity, education level, and other demographic  
 15                  characteristics of the individuals involved.

16                  “(C) **OTHER ISSUES.**—In collecting data  
 17                  for the Index, the partnership shall collect such  
 18                  information as may be necessary to analyze the  
 19                  role of Internet technology in strengthening and  
 20                  inhibiting civic activities, the role of specific  
 21                  programs in strengthening civic activities, and  
 22                  the civic attitudes and activities of new citizens  
 23                  and immigrants.

24                  “(D) **RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER DATA.**—To  
 25                  collect data for the Index, the partnership shall

consider methods of expanding data collection conducted by the Bureau of the Census, through the Current Population Survey, or by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

“(4) REPORTING OF DATA.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The partnership shall, not less often than once each year, prepare a report containing detailed data collected under paragraph (3), including data on each of the indicators described in paragraph (3)(A), and containing the analyses described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of paragraph (3).

“(B) AGGREGATION AND PRESENTATION.—The partnership shall, to the extent practicable, aggregate the data collected under paragraph (3) by community, by State, and nationally. The report shall present the aggregated data in a form that enables communities and States to assess their civic health, as measured on each of the indicators, and compare those measures with comparable measures of other communities and States.

“(C) SUBMISSION.—The partnership shall submit the report to the Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representa-

1           tives and the Committee on Health, Education,  
2           Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and make  
3           the report available to the general public on the  
4           Corporation's website.

5           “(5) CONFERENCES AND FORUMS.—The part-  
6           nership shall hold conferences and forums to discuss  
7           the implications of the data and analyses reported  
8           under paragraph (4).

9           “(6) VOLUNTEERING RESEARCH AND EVALUA-  
10          TION.—

11           “(A) RESEARCH.—The partnership shall  
12           provide for baseline research and tracking of  
13           domestic and international volunteering, and  
14           baseline research and tracking related to rel-  
15           evant data on the indicators described in para-  
16           graph (3). In providing for the research and  
17           tracking under this paragraph, the partnership  
18           shall consider methods of expanding research  
19           and tracking conducted by the Bureau of Labor  
20           Statistics.

21           “(B) IMPACT RESEARCH AND EVALUA-  
22           TION.—The partnership shall provide for re-  
23           search on, and evaluations of, the impact of do-  
24           mestic and international volunteering, including  
25           an assessment of best practices for such volun-

teering, and methods of improving such volunteering through enhanced collaboration among entities that recruit, manage, support, and utilize volunteers, institutions of higher education, and research institutions.”.

(b) ~~AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.~~—Section 501(a) of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)), as amended in section 131(e), is further amended by adding at the end the following:

“(7) ~~CIVIC HEALTH INDEX AND VOLUNTEERING RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.~~—In addition to any amounts appropriated under paragraph (4), there are authorized to be appropriated to carry out section 179(j), \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 2010 and \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2014.”.

## **Subtitle E—Serveamerica and Encore Fellowships**

### **SEC. 151. SERVEAMERICA AND ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.**

(a) ~~FINDINGS.~~—Congress finds the following:

(1) Full- and part-time volunteer service, both at the national and State levels, can effectively tackle pressing national challenges and improve communities throughout the United States.



1           (2) Individual service plans and opportunities  
 2           can improve the ability of the nonprofit sector to ad-  
 3           dress areas of national need by introducing more  
 4           personal innovation and ingenuity into volunteer  
 5           service efforts.

6           (3) Many individuals in the United States who  
 7           are retiring or age 50 or older have shown an in-  
 8           creasing interest in community service and, by uti-  
 9           lizing their individual skills and expertise, volunteer  
 10          organizations can find creative solutions to pressing  
 11          national problems.

12          (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

13               (1) to provide, by 2014, individual fellowships  
 14               to 5,000 individuals annually, allowing the individ-  
 15               uals to propose their own plans for serving in their  
 16               communities and addressing areas of national need;

17               (2) to focus the ideas and creativity of individ-  
 18               uals into addressing national challenges such as im-  
 19               proving education for low-income students, increas-  
 20               ing energy conservation, improving access to health  
 21               care for, and the health status of, low-income indi-  
 22               viduals, and creating new economic opportunities for  
 23               low-income individuals; and

24               (3) to provide Encore Fellowships to individuals  
 25               age 50 or older to draw on the individuals' talents

1 and experience, to improve the effectiveness of vol-  
 2 unteer service organizations, and to provide the indi-  
 3 viduals with the support they need to make a transi-  
 4 tion to longer-term work in public service in the non-  
 5 profit sector or government.

6 (c) ~~GENERAL AUTHORITY.~~—Subtitle J of title I of  
 7 the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42  
 8 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.), as redesignated by section 121, is  
 9 amended by adding at the end the following:

10 **~~“SEC. 198E. SERVEAMERICA AND ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.~~**

11 ~~“(a) SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIPS.—~~

12 ~~“(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:~~

13 ~~“(A) AREA OF NATIONAL NEED.—The~~  
 14 ~~term ‘area of national need’ means an area re-~~  
 15 ~~lated to—~~

16 ~~“(i) improving education in public~~  
 17 ~~schools for economically disadvantaged stu-~~  
 18 ~~dents;~~

19 ~~“(ii) expanding and improving access~~  
 20 ~~to health care;~~

21 ~~“(iii) improving energy efficiency and~~  
 22 ~~conserving natural resources;~~

23 ~~“(iv) improving economic opportuni-~~  
 24 ~~ties for economically disadvantaged individ-~~  
 25 ~~uals; or~~

1                   “(v) improving disaster preparedness  
2                   and response.

3                   ~~“(B) CAMPUS OF SERVICE.—~~The term  
4                   ‘Campus of Service’ means an institution of  
5                   higher education designated as a Campus of  
6                   Service under section 119E.

7                   ~~“(C) ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT.—~~  
8                   The term ‘eligible fellowship recipient’ means  
9                   an individual who is selected by a State Com-  
10                  mission under paragraph (4)(E) and, as a re-  
11                  sult of such selection, is eligible for a  
12                  ServeAmerica Fellowship.

13                  ~~“(D) FELLOW.—~~The term ‘fellow’ means  
14                  an eligible fellowship recipient who is awarded  
15                  a ServeAmerica Fellowship and is designated a  
16                  fellow under paragraph (5)(B).

17                  ~~“(2) SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.—~~  
18                  The Corporation shall establish and carry out a  
19                  ServeAmerica Fellowship program.

20                  ~~“(3) GRANTS.—~~

21                  ~~“(A) IN GENERAL.—~~The Corporation shall  
22                  make grants (including financial assistance and  
23                  a corresponding allotment of approved national  
24                  service positions), from allotments described in  
25                  subparagraph (B), to the State Commissions of

1 each of the several States, the District of Co-  
 2 lumbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico  
 3 that has an application approved by the Cor-  
 4 poration, to enable the State Commissions to  
 5 award ServeAmerica Fellowships under para-  
 6 graph (5). The fellowships shall be used to en-  
 7 able fellows to carry out service projects in  
 8 areas of national need.

9 “(B) RESERVATION; ALLOTMENT.—

10 “(i) RESERVATION.—From the  
 11 amount appropriated under section  
 12 501(a)(2)(C) for a fiscal year, the Cor-  
 13 poration shall reserve not more than 3 per-  
 14 cent to administer the program under this  
 15 subsection.

16 “(ii) ALLOTMENT.—The amount allot-  
 17 ted as a grant to a State Commission  
 18 under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal year  
 19 shall be equal to the amount that bears the  
 20 same ratio to the amount appropriated  
 21 under section 501(a)(2)(C) and not re-  
 22 served under clause (i) for that fiscal year,  
 23 as the population of the State bears to the  
 24 total population of the several States, the

1           District of Columbia, and the Common-  
2           wealth of Puerto Rico.

3           ~~“(C) NUMBER OF POSITIONS.—The Cor-~~  
4           ~~poration shall—~~

5           ~~“(i) establish or increase the number~~  
6           ~~of positions that are approved as approved~~  
7           ~~national service positions under this sub-~~  
8           ~~section during each of fiscal years 2010~~  
9           ~~through 2014;~~

10          ~~“(ii) establish the number of approved~~  
11          ~~positions at 1,000 for fiscal year 2010; and~~

12          ~~“(iii) increase the number of the ap-~~  
13          ~~proved positions to—~~

14                  ~~“(I) 2,000 for fiscal year 2011;~~

15                  ~~“(II) 3,000 for fiscal year 2012;~~

16                  ~~“(III) 4,000 for fiscal year 2013;~~

17                  and

18                  ~~“(IV) 5,000 for fiscal year 2014.~~

19          ~~“(D) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to re-~~  
20          ~~ceive such a grant, a State Commission shall~~  
21          ~~submit an application to the Corporation at~~  
22          ~~such time, in such manner, and containing such~~  
23          ~~information as the Corporation may require, in-~~  
24          ~~cluding information on the criteria and proce-~~  
25          ~~dures that the State Commission will use for~~

overseeing placements for service projects, and  
 awarding ServeAmerica Fellowships, under  
 paragraph (5).

~~“(4) ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS.—~~

~~“(A) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the  
 program, the Corporation shall, each fiscal  
 year, maintain a list of eligible fellowship recipi-  
 ents selected under subparagraph (E).~~

~~“(B) APPLICATION.—An individual desir-  
 ing to be selected as an eligible fellowship re-  
 cipient shall submit an application to a State  
 Commission, a Campus of Service, or an insti-  
 tution of higher education, that has elected to  
 participate in the program carried out under  
 this subsection, at such time and in such man-  
 ner as the Commission, Campus, or institution  
 may require, and containing the information de-  
 scribed in subparagraph (C) and such addi-  
 tional information as the Commission, Campus,  
 or institution may require. An individual may  
 submit such application to only 1 entity under  
 this subparagraph for a fiscal year.~~

~~“(C) CONTENTS.—The Corporation shall  
 specify information to be provided in the appli-  
 cation, which shall include—~~

1 “(i) a description of the area of na-  
 2 tional need that the applicant hopes to ad-  
 3 dress through service in the service project;

4 “(ii) a description of the skills and ex-  
 5 perience the applicant has to address the  
 6 area of national need;

7 “(iii) a description of the type of serv-  
 8 ice that the applicant plans to provide as  
 9 a fellow; and

10 “(iv) information identifying the State  
 11 in which the applicant will serve (which, in  
 12 the case of an application submitted to a  
 13 State Commission, shall be the State  
 14 served by the Commission) and the local  
 15 area in which the applicant plans to serve;  
 16 for the service project.

17 “(D) NOMINATIONS BY CAMPUSES OF  
 18 SERVICE AND INSTITUTIONS.—After reviewing  
 19 the applications—

20 “(i) each Campus of Service may  
 21 nominate not fewer than 8 individuals for  
 22 consideration by the State Commission as  
 23 eligible fellowship recipients; and

24 “(ii) each institution of higher edu-  
 25 cation that is not a Campus of Service may

1           nominate not fewer than 4 individuals for  
2           consideration by the State Commission as  
3           eligible fellowship recipients.

4           “(E) SELECTION.—Each State Commis-  
5           sion shall select, from the applicants nominated  
6           by Campuses of Service and institutions of  
7           higher education serving the State and the ap-  
8           plicants received by the State Commission for a  
9           fiscal year, the number of eligible fellowship re-  
10          cipients that may be supported for that fiscal  
11          year based on the grant received by the State  
12          Commission under paragraph (3)(A). A total of  
13          not less than 10 percent and not more than 15  
14          percent of the eligible fellowship recipients se-  
15          lected by the State Commission for a fiscal year  
16          shall be individuals nominated by a Campus of  
17          Service or an institution of higher education.

18          “(5) FELLOWS.—

19                 “(A) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to par-  
20                 ticipate in a service project through the pro-  
21                 gram as a fellow and receive a ServeAmerica  
22                 Fellowship, an eligible fellowship recipient  
23                 shall—

24                         “(i) within 6 months after being se-  
25                         lected as an eligible fellowship recipient,



1 select an appropriate service sponsor orga-  
 2 nization described in paragraph (6) in the  
 3 State described in paragraph (4)(C)(iv);  
 4 with which the individual is interested in  
 5 serving under this subsection;

6 “(ii) enter into an agreement with the  
 7 organization—

8 “(I) that specifies the service the  
 9 individual will provide if the place-  
 10 ment is approved; and

11 “(II) in which the individual  
 12 agrees to serve for 1 year on a full-  
 13 time or part-time basis (as determined  
 14 by the Corporation); and

15 “(iii) submit such agreement to the  
 16 State Commission.

17 “(B) AWARD.—Upon receiving the eligible  
 18 fellowship recipient’s agreement under subpara-  
 19 graph (A), the State Commission shall award a  
 20 ServeAmerica Fellowship to the recipient and  
 21 designate the recipient as a fellow.

22 “(C) FELLOWSHIP AMOUNT.—

23 “(i) IN GENERAL.—From funds re-  
 24 ceived under paragraph (3), each State  
 25 Commission shall award each of the

1 State's fellows a ServeAmerica Fellowship  
 2 amount that is equal to 50 percent of the  
 3 amount of the total average annual sub-  
 4 sistence allowance provided to VISTA vol-  
 5 unteers under section 105 of the Domestic  
 6 Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.  
 7 4955).

8 “(ii) AMOUNT FROM SERVICE SPON-  
 9 SOR ORGANIZATION.—Except as provided  
 10 in clause (iii), the service sponsor organiza-  
 11 tion shall award to the fellow serving such  
 12 organization an amount that will ensure  
 13 that the total award received by the fellow  
 14 for service in the service project (consisting  
 15 of that amount and the ServeAmerica Fel-  
 16 lowship amount the fellow receives under  
 17 clause (i)) is equal to or greater than 70  
 18 percent of the average annual subsistence  
 19 allowance provided to VISTA volunteers  
 20 under section 105 of the Domestic Volun-  
 21 teer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955).

22 “(iii) MAXIMUM LIVING ALLOW-  
 23 ANCE.—The total amount that may be pro-  
 24 vided to a fellow under this subparagraph  
 25 shall not exceed 100 percent of the average

1           annual subsistence allowance provided to  
 2           VISTA volunteers under section 105 of the  
 3           Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973  
 4           (42 U.S.C. 4955).

5           “(iv) PRORATION OF AMOUNT.—In  
 6           the case of a fellow who is authorized to  
 7           serve a part-time term of service under the  
 8           agreement described in subparagraph  
 9           (A)(ii), the amount provided to a fellow  
 10          under this subparagraph shall be prorated  
 11          accordingly.

12          “(v) WAIVER.—The Corporation may  
 13          allow a State Commission to waive the  
 14          amount required under clause (ii) from the  
 15          service sponsor organization for a fellow  
 16          serving the organization if—

17               “(I) such requirement is incon-  
 18               sistent with the objectives of the  
 19               ServeAmerica Fellowship program;  
 20               and

21               “(II) the amount provided to the  
 22               fellow under clause (i) is sufficient to  
 23               meet the necessary costs of living (in-  
 24               cluding food, housing, and transpor-  
 25               tation) in the area in which the

1           ServeAmerica Fellowship program is  
2           located.

3           ~~“(6) SERVICE SPONSOR ORGANIZATIONS.—~~

4           ~~“(A) IN GENERAL.—~~Each service sponsor  
5           organization shall—

6           ~~“(i) be a nonprofit organization; and~~

7           ~~“(ii) at the time of registration with a~~  
8           State Commission; enter into an agreement  
9           providing that the service sponsor organi-  
10          zation shall—

11          ~~“(I) abide by all program re-~~  
12          quirements;

13          ~~“(II) provide an amount de-~~  
14          scribed in paragraph (5)(C)(ii) for  
15          each fellow serving with the organiza-  
16          tion through the ServeAmerica Fel-  
17          lowship;

18          ~~“(III) be responsible for certi-~~  
19          fying whether each fellow serving with  
20          the organization successfully com-  
21          pleted the ServeAmerica Fellowship;  
22          and record and certify in a manner  
23          specified by the Corporation the num-  
24          ber of hours served by a fellow for

1 purposes of determining the fellow's  
2 eligibility for benefits; and

3 ~~“(IV) provide timely access to~~  
4 ~~records relating to the ServeAmerica~~  
5 ~~Fellowship to the State Commission,~~  
6 ~~the Corporation, and the Corpora-~~  
7 ~~tion's Inspector General.~~

8 ~~“(B) REGISTRATION.—~~

9 ~~“(i) REQUIREMENT.—No service~~  
10 ~~sponsor organization may receive a fellow~~  
11 ~~under this subsection until the organiza-~~  
12 ~~tion registers with the State Commission.~~

13 ~~“(ii) REVOCATION.—A State Commis-~~  
14 ~~sion shall revoke the registration of any~~  
15 ~~service sponsor organization if the State~~  
16 ~~Commission determines after a hearing~~  
17 ~~that the organization is in violation of any~~  
18 ~~of the applicable provisions of this sub-~~  
19 ~~section.~~

20 ~~“(7) COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE~~  
21 ~~CATEGORIES.—Service under a ServeAmerica Fel-~~  
22 ~~lowship shall comply with section 132(a). For pur-~~  
23 ~~poses of applying that section to this subsection, a~~  
24 ~~reference to assistance shall be considered to be a~~  
25 ~~reference to assistance provided under this section.~~

1           ~~“(8) REPORTS.—Each service sponsor organiza-~~  
 2           ~~tion that receives a fellow under this subsection~~  
 3           ~~shall, on a biweekly basis, report to the Corporation~~  
 4           ~~on the number of hours served and the services pro-~~  
 5           ~~vided by that fellow. The Corporation shall establish~~  
 6           ~~a web portal for the organizations to use in report-~~  
 7           ~~ing the information.~~

8           ~~“(9) EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—A fellow who~~  
 9           ~~serves in a service project under this subsection shall~~  
 10          ~~be considered to have served in an approved national~~  
 11          ~~service position and, upon meeting the requirements~~  
 12          ~~of section 147 for full-time or part-time national~~  
 13          ~~service, shall be eligible for a national service edu-~~  
 14          ~~cational award described in such section. The Cor-~~  
 15          ~~poration shall transfer an appropriate amount of~~  
 16          ~~funds to the National Service Trust to provide for~~  
 17          ~~the national service educational awards for such fel-~~  
 18          ~~lows.~~

19          ~~“(b) ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.—~~

20           ~~“(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:~~

21           ~~“(A) AREA OF NATIONAL NEED.—The~~  
 22           ~~term ‘area of national need’ has the meaning~~  
 23           ~~given the term in subsection (a)(1).~~

24           ~~“(B) ELIGIBLE ENCORE FELLOWSHIP RE-~~  
 25           ~~CIPIENT.—The term ‘eligible Encore Fellowship~~

1 recipient' means an individual who is selected  
 2 under paragraph (3)(B) and, as a result of such  
 3 selection, is eligible for an Encore Fellowship.

4 “(C) ENCORE FELLOW.—The term ‘En-  
 5 core Fellow’ means an eligible Encore Fellow-  
 6 ship recipient who is awarded an Encore Fel-  
 7 lowship and is designated an Encore Fellow  
 8 under paragraph (5)(C).

9 “(2) ENCORE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall  
 11 establish and carry out an Encore Fellowship  
 12 program. In carrying out the program, the Cor-  
 13 poration shall award 1-year Encore Fellowships  
 14 to enable individuals age 50 or older—

15 “(i) to carry out service projects in  
 16 areas of national need; and

17 “(ii) to receive training and develop-  
 18 ment in order to transition to full- or part-  
 19 time public service in the nonprofit sector  
 20 or government.

21 “(B) PROGRAM.—In carrying out the pro-  
 22 gram, the Corporation shall—

23 “(i) maintain a list of eligible Encore  
 24 Fellowship recipients who are eligible to

1 participate in service projects through the  
 2 program and receive fellowships;

3 “(ii) maintain a list of organizations  
 4 that are eligible to have eligible Encore  
 5 Fellows placed with the organizations to  
 6 carry out service projects through the pro-  
 7 gram and provide the list to all eligible En-  
 8 core Fellowship recipients described in  
 9 clause (i); and

10 “(iii) at the request of an Encore Fel-  
 11 lowship recipient—

12 “(I) determine whether the re-  
 13 questing eligible Encore Fellowship  
 14 recipient is able to meet the service  
 15 needs of a listed organization; or an-  
 16 other organization that the recipient  
 17 requests in accordance with paragraph  
 18 (5)(B); for a service project; and

19 “(H) upon making a favorable  
 20 determination under subclause (I),  
 21 award the recipient with an Encore  
 22 Fellowship; and place the recipient  
 23 with the organization as an Encore  
 24 Fellow under paragraph (5)(C).



1           ~~“(3) ELIGIBLE ENCORE FELLOWSHIP RECIPI-~~  
2           ~~ENTS.—~~

3           ~~“(A) IN GENERAL.—~~An individual desiring  
4           to be selected as an eligible Encore Fellowship  
5           recipient shall—

6                     ~~“(i) be an individual who is—~~

7                             ~~“(I) at least 50 years of age as~~  
8                             of the time the individual applies for  
9                             the program; and

10                    ~~“(II) not engaged in, but who~~  
11                    wishes to make a transition to being  
12                    engaged in, full- or part-time public  
13                    service in the nonprofit sector or gov-  
14                    ernment; and

15                    ~~“(ii) submit an application to the Cor-~~  
16                    poration, at such time, in such manner,  
17                    and containing such information as the  
18                    Corporation may require, including—

19                             ~~“(I) a description of the area of~~  
20                             national need that the applicant hopes  
21                             to address through the service project;

22                             ~~“(II) a description of the skills~~  
23                             and experience the applicant has to  
24                             address an area of national need; and

1                   “(III) information identifying the  
2                   region of the United States in which  
3                   the applicant wishes to serve.

4                   “(B) SELECTION BASIS.—In determining  
5                   which individuals to select as eligible Encore  
6                   Fellowship recipients, the Corporation shall—

7                   “(i) select not more than 10 individ-  
8                   uals from each State; and

9                   “(ii) give priority to individuals with  
10                  skills and experience for which there is an  
11                  ongoing high demand in the nonprofit sec-  
12                  tor and government.

13                  “(4) LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.—To be listed  
14                  under paragraph (2)(B)(ii), an organization shall—

15                  “(A) be a nonprofit organization; and

16                  “(B) submit an application to the Corpora-  
17                  tion at such time, in such manner, and con-  
18                  taining such information as the Corporation  
19                  may require, including—

20                  “(i) a description of—

21                         “(I) the services and activities  
22                         the organization carries out generally;

23                         “(II) the area of national need  
24                         that the organization seeks to address  
25                         through a service project; and

1                   ~~“(III) the services and activities~~  
 2                   the organization seeks to carry out  
 3                   through the proposed service project;

4                   ~~“(ii) a description of the skills and ex-~~  
 5                   perience that an eligible Encore Fellowship  
 6                   recipient needs to be placed with the orga-  
 7                   nization as an Encore Fellow for the serv-  
 8                   ice project;

9                   ~~“(iii) a description of the training and~~  
 10                  leadership development the organization  
 11                  shall provide an Encore Fellow placed with  
 12                  the organization to assist the Encore Fel-  
 13                  low in obtaining a public service job in the  
 14                  nonprofit sector or government after the  
 15                  period of the Encore Fellowship; and

16                  ~~“(iv) evidence of the organization’s fi-~~  
 17                  nancial stability.

18                  ~~“(5) PLACEMENT.—~~

19                  ~~“(A) REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH~~  
 20                  LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.—To be placed with a  
 21                  listed organization under subparagraph (C) for  
 22                  a service project, an eligible Encore Fellowship  
 23                  recipient shall submit an application for such  
 24                  placement to the Corporation at such time, in

1 such manner, and containing such information  
 2 as the Corporation may require.

3 “(B) REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH  
 4 OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.—An eligible Encore  
 5 Fellowship recipient may apply to the Corpora-  
 6 tion to serve the recipient’s Encore Fellowship  
 7 year with a nonprofit organization that is not a  
 8 listed organization. Such application shall be  
 9 submitted to the Corporation at such time, in  
 10 such manner, and containing such information  
 11 as the Corporation shall require, and shall in-  
 12 clude—

13 “(i) an identification and description  
 14 of—

15 “(I) the organization;

16 “(II) the area of national need  
 17 the organization seeks to address; and

18 “(III) the services or activities  
 19 the organization carries out to address  
 20 such area of national need;

21 “(ii) a description of the services the  
 22 eligible Encore Fellowship recipient shall  
 23 provide for the organization as an Encore  
 24 Fellow; and

1           “(iii) a letter of support from the  
2 leader of the organization, including—

3           “(I) a description of the organi-  
4 zation’s need for the eligible Encore  
5 Fellowship recipient’s services;

6           “(II) evidence that the organiza-  
7 tion is financially sound;

8           “(III) an assurance that the or-  
9 ganization will provide training and  
10 leadership development to the eligible  
11 Encore Fellowship recipient if placed  
12 with the organization as an Encore  
13 Fellow, to assist the Encore Fellow in  
14 obtaining a public service job in the  
15 nonprofit sector or government after  
16 the period of the Encore Fellowship;  
17 and

18           “(IV) a description of the train-  
19 ing and leadership development to be  
20 provided to the Encore Fellowship re-  
21 cipient if so placed.

22           “(C) PLACEMENT AND AWARD OF FEL-  
23 LOWSHIP.—If the Corporation determines that  
24 the eligible Encore Fellowship recipient is able  
25 to meet the service needs (including skills and

experience to address an area of national need)  
of the organization that the eligible fellowship  
recipient requests under subparagraph (A) or  
(B), the Corporation shall—

“(i) approve the placement of the eli-  
gible Encore Fellowship recipient with the  
organization;

“(ii) award the eligible Encore Fellow-  
ship recipient an Encore Fellowship for a  
period of 1 year and designate the eligible  
Encore Fellowship recipient as an Encore  
Fellow; and

“(iii) in awarding the Encore Fellow-  
ship, make a payment, in the amount of  
\$11,000, to the organization to enable the  
organization to provide living expenses to  
the Encore Fellow for the year in which  
the Encore Fellow agrees to serve.

“(6) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—An organiza-  
tion that receives an Encore Fellow under this sub-  
section shall agree to provide, for the living expenses  
of the Encore Fellow during the year of service, non-  
Federal contributions in an amount equal to not less  
than \$1 for every \$1 of Federal funds provided to

the organization for the Encore Fellow through the fellowship.

~~“(7) TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE.—Each organization that receives an Encore Fellow under this subsection shall provide training, leadership development, and assistance to the Encore Fellow, and conduct oversight of the service provided by the Encore Fellow.~~

~~“(8) LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.—Each year, the Corporation shall convene current and former Encore Fellows to discuss the Encore Fellows’ experiences related to service under this subsection and discuss strategies for increasing leadership and careers in public service in the nonprofit sector or government.”.~~

~~(d) NATIONAL SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—~~

~~(1) TRUST.—Section 145(d)(4) of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12601(d)(4)), as amended by section 131(d)(1)(B), is further amended by inserting “or section 198E(a)” after “subtitle C or G”.~~

~~(2) TRANSFER OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—Section 148(f)(2)(A) of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (20 U.S.C. 12604(f)(2)(A)), as added by section 131(d)(3)(C),~~

1 is further amended by inserting “or section  
2 198E(a)” after “subtitle G”.

3 (c) ~~AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.~~—Section  
4 501(a)(2) of the National and Community Service Act of  
5 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)(2)) is amended—

6 (1) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by inserting  
7 “(other than section 198E)” after “H of title I”;  
8 and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(C) ~~SERVEAMERICA~~ FELLOWSHIPS.—

11 There are authorized to be appropriated such  
12 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal  
13 years 2010 through 2014 to provide financial  
14 assistance under section 198E(a) and to pro-  
15 vide national service educational awards under  
16 subtitle D of title I (including providing finan-  
17 cial assistance and national service educational  
18 awards to participants in national service posi-  
19 tions; established or increased as provided in  
20 section 198E(a)(3)(C)).

21 “(D) ~~ENCORE~~ FELLOWSHIPS.—There are  
22 authorized to be appropriated to carry out sec-  
23 tion 198E(b), \$7,000,000 for each of fiscal  
24 years 2010 through 2014.”.



1 **Subtitle F—Volunteer Generation**  
 2 **Fund; National Service Reserve**  
 3 **Corps; Call to Service Campaign**

4 **SEC. 161. STATEMENT OF PURPOSES.**

5 The purposes of this subtitle are to—

6 (1) assist nonprofit, faith-based, and other civic  
 7 organizations in the United States and State Com-  
 8 missions in expanding the supply of volunteers and  
 9 improving the capacity of such organizations and  
 10 State Commissions to utilize new volunteers;

11 (2) spur innovation in volunteer recruitment  
 12 and management practices, with a goal of increasing  
 13 the number of volunteers in the United States each  
 14 year;

15 (3) enable the people of the United States to ef-  
 16 fect change throughout the United States by partici-  
 17 pating in active volunteer and citizen service; and

18 (4) draw on the experience, skills, and training  
 19 of national service alumni to assist local commu-  
 20 nities that are affected by disasters.

21 **SEC. 162. ESTABLISHMENT OF VOLUNTEER GENERATION**  
 22 **FUND.**

23 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subtitle J of title I of the Na-  
 24 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.

1 ~~12653~~ et seq.), as amended by section ~~151~~, is further  
 2 amended by adding at the end the following:

3 **~~“SEC. 198F. VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND.~~**

4 ~~“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:~~

5 ~~“(1) AREAS OF NATIONAL NEED.—The term~~  
 6 ~~‘areas of national need’ has the meaning given the~~  
 7 ~~term in section 198E(a)(1).~~

8 ~~“(2) CIVIC ENTITY.—The term ‘civic entity’~~  
 9 ~~means a local or national nonprofit organization, in-~~  
 10 ~~cluding a faith-based organization, that uses volun-~~  
 11 ~~teers to carry out activities in areas of national~~  
 12 ~~need.~~

13 ~~“(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-~~  
 14 ~~tity’ means—~~

15 ~~“(A) a State Commission; or~~

16 ~~“(B) a nonprofit entity that provides tech-~~  
 17 ~~nical assistance and support to civic entities in~~  
 18 ~~recruiting, managing, and supporting volun-~~  
 19 ~~teers, such as a volunteer coordinating agency,~~  
 20 ~~a nonprofit resource center, a volunteer training~~  
 21 ~~clearinghouse, or an institution of higher edu-~~  
 22 ~~cation.~~

23 ~~“(b) FUND.—~~

1           “(1) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—The Corporation  
2       shall award grants on a competitive basis to eligible  
3       entities to enable—

4           “(A) eligible entities to increase the num-  
5       ber of volunteers available to carry out activities  
6       that address areas of national need through  
7       civic entities supported by the eligible entity; or

8           “(B) eligible entities described in sub-  
9       section (a)(3)(A) to increase the number of vol-  
10      unteers available to carry out statewide volun-  
11      teer initiatives that address State priorities with  
12      regard to areas of national need.

13          “(2) PERIOD OF GRANT.—The Corporation  
14      shall award the grants for periods of not less than  
15      3 years and not more than 5 years.

16          “(3) APPLICATION.—

17           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each eligible entity  
18      desiring a grant under this subsection shall  
19      submit an application to the Corporation at  
20      such time, in such manner, and accompanied by  
21      such information as the Corporation may rea-  
22      sonably require.

23           “(B) CONTENTS.—Each application sub-  
24      mitted pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall con-  
25      tain—

1           “(i)(I) in the case of an eligible entity  
2           that proposes to use grant funds to carry  
3           out an activity described in paragraph  
4           (1)(A), a description of the technical as-  
5           sistance and support the entity provides to  
6           civic entities in recruiting, managing, and  
7           supporting additional volunteers; or

8           “(II) in the case of an eligible entity  
9           that proposes to use grant funds to carry  
10          out a statewide initiative described in para-  
11          graph (1)(B), a description of the State  
12          priorities with regard to areas of national  
13          need and the proposed initiative to address  
14          such priorities;

15          “(ii) an assurance that the eligible en-  
16          tity will annually collect information on—

17               “(I) the number of volunteers re-  
18               cruited for civic entities or to carry  
19               out statewide initiatives described in  
20               paragraph (1)(B), using funds re-  
21               ceived under this subsection, and the  
22               type and amount of activities carried  
23               out by such volunteers; and

24               “(II) the number of volunteers  
25               supported using funds received under

1           this subsection, and the type and  
2           amount of activities carried out by  
3           such volunteers;

4           “(iii) a description of any outcomes  
5           the eligible entity will use to annually  
6           measure and track performance with re-  
7           gard to—

8                     “(I) activities carried out by vol-  
9                     unteers; and

10                    “(II) volunteers recruited, man-  
11                    aged, and supported;

12                    “(iv) information describing how the  
13                    eligible entity will annually evaluate the ef-  
14                    fectiveness of the entity’s activities under  
15                    this subsection; and

16                    “(v) such additional assurances as the  
17                    Corporation determines to be essential to  
18                    ensure compliance with the requirements  
19                    of this subsection.

20           “(4) USE OF FUNDS.—An eligible entity that  
21           receives a grant under this subsection shall use  
22           amounts provided through the grant to—

23                    “(A) in the case of an eligible entity using  
24                    grant funds to carry out an activity described  
25                    in paragraph (1)(A)—

1           “(i) increase recruitment and training  
2           of volunteers for a civic entity, relying on  
3           best practices in volunteer recruitment and  
4           management; or

5           “(ii) strengthen the capacity of a civic  
6           entity to use volunteers; or

7           “(B) in the case of an eligible entity using  
8           grant funds to carry out a statewide initiative  
9           described in paragraph (1)(B), recruit, train,  
10          and utilize volunteers to carry out statewide vol-  
11          unteer initiatives.

12          “(5) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Each eligible  
13          entity receiving a grant under this subsection shall  
14          annually submit a report to the Corporation that in-  
15          cludes the information described in paragraph  
16          (3)(B)(ii), information on how the eligible entity per-  
17          formed with regard to the outcomes described in  
18          paragraph (3)(B)(iii), and the results of the evalua-  
19          tion described in paragraph (3)(B)(iv).

20          “(6) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—Each eligible  
21          entity receiving a grant under this subsection shall  
22          provide, from non-Federal sources, an amount equal  
23          to the grant amount to carry out the activities sup-  
24          ported by the grant.”.

1       (b) APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 501(a)(2) of the Na-  
 2 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.  
 3 12681(a)(2)), as amended by section 151, is further  
 4 amended—

5           (1) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by striking  
 6 “section 198E” each place it appears and inserting  
 7 “sections 198E and 198F”; and

8           (2) by adding at the end the following:

9           “(E) VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND.—  
 10 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry  
 11 out section 198F—

12                   “(i) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

13                   “(ii) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

14                   “(iii) \$70,000,000 for fiscal year  
 15 2012;

16                   “(iv) \$80,000,000 for fiscal year  
 17 2013; and

18                   “(v) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year  
 19 2014.”.

20 **SEC. 163. NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS.**

21       (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle J of title I of the Na-  
 22 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.  
 23 12653 et seq.), as amended by section 162, is further  
 24 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **~~“SEC. 198G. NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS.~~**

2 ~~“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:~~

3 ~~“(1) TERM OF NATIONAL SERVICE.—The term~~  
 4 ~~‘term of national service’ means a term or period of~~  
 5 ~~service under subtitle C, E, or G or section 198E of~~  
 6 ~~this Act, or under part A of title I of the Domestic~~  
 7 ~~Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et~~  
 8 ~~seq.).~~

9 ~~“(2) NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS MEM-~~  
 10 ~~BER.—The term ‘National Service Reserve Corps~~  
 11 ~~member’ means an individual who—~~

12 ~~“(A) has completed a term of national~~  
 13 ~~service;~~

14 ~~“(B) has successfully completed training~~  
 15 ~~described in subsection (d) within the previous~~  
 16 ~~2 years; and~~

17 ~~“(C) is interested in responding to national~~  
 18 ~~disasters and other emergencies through the~~  
 19 ~~National Service Reserve Corps.~~

20 ~~“(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL SERVICE RE-~~  
 21 ~~SERVE CORPS.—The Corporation shall establish a Na-~~  
 22 ~~tional Service Reserve Corps to prepare and deploy indi-~~  
 23 ~~viduals who have completed a term of national service to~~  
 24 ~~respond to natural disasters and other emergencies in a~~  
 25 ~~timely manner.~~



1       “(c) NATIONAL SERVICE ALUMNI.—In establishing  
 2 and implementing the National Service Reserve Corps, the  
 3 Corporation may work with organizations representing in-  
 4 dividuals who have completed a term of national service;  
 5 as well as directly with such individuals.

6       “(d) ANNUAL TRAINING.—The Corporation shall, in  
 7 consultation with the Administrator of the Federal Emer-  
 8 gency Management Agency, conduct or coordinate annual  
 9 training sessions for individuals who have completed a  
 10 term of national service, and who wish to join the National  
 11 Service Reserve Corps.

12       “(e) CERTIFICATION OF ORGANIZATIONS.—On a bi-  
 13 annual basis, the Corporation shall certify organizations  
 14 with demonstrated experience in responding to disasters,  
 15 including through using volunteers, for participation in the  
 16 program under this section.

17       “(f) DATABASES.—The Corporation shall develop or  
 18 contract with an outside organization to develop—

19               “(1) a database of all National Service Reserve  
 20 Corps members; and

21               “(2) a database of all nonprofit organizations  
 22 that—

23                       “(A) have been certified by the Corpora-  
 24 tion under subsection (e); and

1           “(B) are prepared to respond to major dis-  
 2           asters or emergencies with members of the Na-  
 3           tional Service Reserve Corps.

4           “(g) DEPLOYMENT OF NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE  
 5   CORPS.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—If a major disaster or  
 7           emergency designated by the President under the  
 8           Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency  
 9           Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) occurs that  
 10          the Corporation, in consultation with the Adminis-  
 11          trator of the Federal Emergency Management Agen-  
 12          cy, determines is an incident for which National  
 13          Service Reserve Corps members are prepared to as-  
 14          sist, the Corporation shall—

15               “(A) deploy interested National Service  
 16          Reserve Corps members on 30-day assignments  
 17          to assist with local needs related to preparing  
 18          or recovering from the incident in the affected  
 19          area, through organizations certified under sub-  
 20          section (e);

21               “(B) make travel arrangements for the de-  
 22          ployed National Service Reserve Corps members  
 23          to the site of the incident; and

24               “(C) provide funds to those organizations  
 25          that are responding to the incident with de-

1           ployed National Service Reserve Corps mem-  
 2           bers, to enable the organizations to coordinate  
 3           and provide housing, living stipends, and insur-  
 4           ance for those deployed members.

5           “(2) STIPEND FUND.—Any amounts that are  
 6           appropriated under section 501(a)(2)(F) to carry  
 7           out paragraph (1) for a fiscal year shall be kept in  
 8           a separate fund. Any amounts in such fund that are  
 9           not used during a fiscal year shall remain available  
 10          for the next fiscal year for the purpose of carrying  
 11          out such paragraph.

12          “(h) INFORMATION.—The Corporation, the State  
 13          Commissions, and entities receiving financial assistance  
 14          for programs under subtitle C, E, or G or section 198E  
 15          of this Act, or under part A of title I of the Domestic  
 16          Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.);  
 17          shall inform participants of those programs of the Na-  
 18          tional Service Reserve Corps upon the participants’ com-  
 19          pletion of their term of national service.

20          “(i) COORDINATION.—In deploying National Service  
 21          Reserve Corps members under subsection (g), the Cor-  
 22          poration may consult and, as appropriate, partner with  
 23          Citizen Corps programs in the affected area.”.

24          “(b) APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 501(a)(2) of the Na-  
 25          tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.

1 ~~12681(a)(2))~~, as amended by section ~~162~~, is further  
 2 amended—

3           ~~(1) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by striking~~  
 4           ~~“and 198F”~~ each place it appears and inserting “,  
 5           ~~198F, and 198G”~~; and

6           ~~(2) by adding at the end the following:~~

7                   ~~“(F) NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE~~  
 8           ~~CORPS.—There is authorized to be appro-~~  
 9           ~~priated—~~

10                   ~~“(i) \$6,500,000 in year 2010, of~~  
 11                   ~~which—~~

12                           ~~“(I) not more than \$1,500,000~~  
 13                           ~~shall be used to carry out section~~  
 14                           ~~198G (other than section 198G(f)(1));~~  
 15                           ~~and~~

16                           ~~“(H) the amount remaining after~~  
 17                           ~~the application of subelause (I) shall~~  
 18                           ~~be used to carry out section~~  
 19                           ~~198G(f)(1); and~~

20                   ~~“(ii) for each succeeding fiscal year—~~

21                           ~~“(I) \$1,000,000 to carry out sec-~~  
 22                           ~~tion 198G (other than section~~  
 23                           ~~198G(f)(1)); and~~

24                           ~~“(H) such sums as are necessary~~  
 25                           ~~to carry out section 198G(f)(1) so~~

1                   that the amount available for such fis-  
 2                   cal year to carry out such section, in-  
 3                   cluding any amounts remaining in the  
 4                   fund described in section 198G(f)(2),  
 5                   is equal to \$4,000,000.”.

6 **SEC. 164. CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN.**

7           Subtitle J of title I of the National and Community  
 8 Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.), as amend-  
 9 ed by section 163, is further amended by adding at the  
 10 end the following:

11 **“SEC. 198H. CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN.**

12           “Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
 13 of the Serve America Act, the Corporation shall conduct  
 14 a nationwide ‘Call To Service’ campaign, to encourage all  
 15 people of the United States, regardless of age, race, eth-  
 16 nicity, religion, or economic status, to engage in full- or  
 17 part-time national service, long- or short-term public serv-  
 18 ice in the nonprofit sector or government, or volunteering.  
 19 In conducting the campaign, the Corporation may collabo-  
 20 rate with other Federal agencies and entities, State Com-  
 21 missions, Governors, nonprofit and faith-based organiza-  
 22 tions, businesses, institutions of higher education, elemen-  
 23 tary schools, and secondary schools.”.

## **Subtitle G—Conforming Amendments**

### **SEC. 171. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) Section 101 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (17)(A)(i), by striking “subtitle C” and inserting “subtitles C and G”; and

(B) in paragraph (19)—

(i) by striking “119(b)(1), or 122(a), or in” and inserting “or 119(b)(1), subpart B of part I, or part III, of subtitle B of title I, or section 122(a), in”;

(ii) by inserting “or in part II or III of subtitle F, or in subtitle G, of title I,” after “152(b),”; and

(iii) by striking “or 198D” and inserting “198D, 198E, 198F, or 198G”.

(2) Section 117E of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12546) is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)—

1                   (i) in paragraph (1), by striking  
2                   “116(a)(1)” and inserting “114C(a)(1”;  
3                   and

4                   (ii) in paragraph (2), by striking  
5                   “116(a)(2)” and inserting “114C(a)(2”;  
6                   and

7                   (B) by striking “116(b)” and inserting  
8                   “114C(b)”.

9                   (3) Section 118(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
10                  12551(a)) is amended by striking “subtitle H” and  
11                  inserting “subtitle J”.

12                  (4) Section 119(e) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
13                  12561(e)) is amended—

14                   (A) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking  
15                   “116(a)(2)” and inserting “114C(a)(2”;

16                   (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “116(b)”  
17                   and inserting “114C(b)”.

18                  (5) Section 122(a)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
19                  12572(a)(2)) is amended by striking “subtitle I”  
20                  and inserting “subtitle K”.

21                  (6) Section 193A(f)(1) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
22                  12651d(f)(1)) is amended by striking “subtitles C  
23                  and I” and inserting “subtitles C and K”.

24                  (7) Section 501(a)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
25                  12681(a)(2)) is amended—

1           (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking  
2           “C, D, AND H” and inserting “C, D, AND J”;

3           (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “sub-  
4           titles C and H” and inserting “subtitles C and  
5           J”; and

6           (C) in subparagraph (B), by striking “sub-  
7           title H” and inserting “subtitle J”.

8           (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—

9           (1) The table of contents in section 1(b) of such  
10          Act is amended—

11           (A) by striking the items relating to sec-  
12           tions 115, 115A, 116, 116A, and 116B and in-  
13           serting the following:

“Sec. 114A. Consideration of applications.

“Sec. 114B. Participation of students and teachers from private schools.

“Sec. 114C. Federal, State, and local contributions.

“Sec. 114D. Limitations on uses of funds.

“Sec. 114E. Definitions.”;

14           (B) by striking the item relating to the  
15           subpart heading of subpart C of part I of sub-  
16           title B of title I and inserting the following:

“SUBPART D—CLEARINGHOUSE”;

17           (C) by striking the item relating to the  
18           subpart heading of subpart B of part I of sub-  
19           title B of title I and inserting the following:

“SUBPART C—COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL-AGE  
YOUTH”;



1                   (D) by inserting after the items relating to  
 2                   subpart A of part I of subtitle B of title I the  
 3                   following:

“SUBPART B—YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND SERVICE-LEARNING TO STRENGTHEN  
 LOCAL COMMUNITIES

“Sec. 115. Grant program.”;

4                   (E) by inserting after the items relating to  
 5                   part II of subtitle B of title I the following:

“PART III—CAMPUS OF SERVICE PROGRAM

“Sec. 119E. Campuses of Service.”;

6                   (F) by inserting after the items relating to  
 7                   part III of subtitle B of title I (as added by  
 8                   subparagraph (E)) the following:

“PART IV—SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY

“Sec. 119F. Study and report.”;

9                   (G) by striking the item relating to the  
 10                  subtitle heading for subtitle I of title I and in-  
 11                  serting the following:

“Subtitle K—American Conservation and Youth Corps”;

12                  (H) by striking the item relating to the  
 13                  subtitle heading for subtitle H of title I and in-  
 14                  serting the following:

“Subtitle J—Investment for Quality and Innovation”;

15                  (I) by striking the item relating to the sub-  
 16                  title heading for subtitle G of title I and insert-  
 17                  ing the following:

“Subtitle I—Corporation for National and Community Service”;

1                   (J) by striking the item relating to the  
 2                   subtitle heading for subtitle F of title I and in-  
 3                   serting the following:

“Subtitle H—Administrative Provisions”;

4                   (K) by inserting after the items relating to  
 5                   subtitle E of title I the following:

“Subtitle F—Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship

“PART I—COMMISSION ON CROSS-SECTOR SOLUTIONS

“Sec. 167. Commission.

“PART II—COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS FUNDS

“Sec. 167A. Funds.

“PART III—INNOVATION FELLOWSHIPS PILOT PROGRAM

“Sec. 167B. Program.

“Subtitle G—Serveamerica Corps

“Sec. 168. Corps.”;

6                   (L) by adding at the end of the items re-  
 7                   lating to subtitle J (as so redesignated) of title  
 8                   I the following:

“Sec. 198E. ServeAmerica and Encore Fellowships.”;

9                   and

10                  (M) by adding at the end of the items re-  
 11                  lating to subtitle J (as so amended and redesign-  
 12                  ated) of title I the following:

“Sec. 198F. Volunteer Generation Fund.

“Sec. 198G. ServeAmerica Emergency Response Reserve Corps.

“Sec. 198H. Call To Service campaign.”.

1       **TITLE II—VOLUNTEERS FOR**  
2       **PROSPERITY PROGRAM**

3       **SEC. 201. FINDINGS.**

4       Congress makes the following findings:

5               (1) Americans engaged in international volun-  
6       teer service, and the organizations deploying them—

7               (A) play critical roles in responding to the  
8       needs of people living throughout the developing  
9       world; and

10              (B) advance the international public diplo-  
11       macy of the United States.

12              (2) The Volunteers for Prosperity Program has  
13       successfully promoted international volunteer service  
14       by skilled American professionals.

15              (3) In its first 4 years, the VfP Program helped  
16       to mobilize 74,000 skilled Americans, including doc-  
17       tors, nurses, engineers, businesspeople, and teachers,  
18       through a network of 250 nonprofit organizations  
19       and companies in the United States, to carry out de-  
20       velopment and humanitarian efforts for those af-  
21       fected by great global challenges in health, the envi-  
22       ronment, poverty, illiteracy, financial literacy, dis-  
23       aster relief, and other challenges.

24              (4) The VfP Program has undertaken activities,  
25       including—

1           (A) direct outreach to leading nonprofit or-  
 2           ganizations and companies in the United  
 3           States;

4           (B) promotion of the work of skilled Amer-  
 5           icans and nonprofit organizations and compa-  
 6           nies in the United States as it relates to inter-  
 7           national volunteer service;

8           (C) public recognition of skilled American  
 9           volunteers;

10          (D) support for organizations that utilize  
 11          skilled Americans as volunteers;

12          (E) participation in the development of  
 13          special initiatives to further opportunities for  
 14          skilled Americans; and

15          (F) leadership of an innovative public-pri-  
 16          vate partnership to provide eligible skilled with  
 17          financial assistance for volunteer assignments.

18 **SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.**

19       In this title:

20           (1) **VFP OFFICE.**—The term “VFP Office”  
 21       means the Office of Volunteers for Prosperity of the  
 22       United States Agency for International Develop-  
 23       ment.

1           (2) VFP PROGRAM.—The term “VfP Program”  
 2       means the Volunteers for Prosperity Program estab-  
 3       lished through Executive Order 13317.

4           (3) VFPSERVE.—The term “VfPServe” means a  
 5       program established by the VfP Office, in coopera-  
 6       tion with the USA Freedom Corps and the Global  
 7       Giving Foundation, to provide eligible skilled profes-  
 8       sionals with fixed amount stipends to offset the trav-  
 9       el and living costs of volunteering abroad.

10 **SEC. 203. OFFICE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY.**

11       (a) FUNCTIONS.—The VfP Office shall pursue the  
 12       objectives of the VfP Program described in subsection (b)  
 13       by—

14           (1) implementing the VfPServe Program to pro-  
 15       vide eligible skilled professionals with fixed amount  
 16       stipends to offset the travel and living expenses of  
 17       volunteering abroad with nonprofit organizations;

18           (2) otherwise promoting short- and long-term  
 19       international volunteer service by skilled American  
 20       professionals, including connecting such profes-  
 21       sionals with nonprofit organizations, to achieve such  
 22       objectives;

23           (3) helping nonprofit organizations in the  
 24       United States recruit and effectively manage addi-

1 tional skilled American professionals for volunteer  
2 assignments throughout the developing world;

3 (4) providing recognition for skilled American  
4 volunteers and the organizations deploying them;

5 (5) helping nonprofit organizations and cor-  
6 porations in the United States to identify resources  
7 and opportunities in international volunteer service  
8 utilizing skilled Americans;

9 (6) encouraging the establishment of inter-  
10 national volunteer programs for employees of United  
11 States corporations; and

12 (7) encouraging international voluntary service  
13 by highly skilled Americans to promote health and  
14 prosperity throughout the world.

15 (b) VFP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of  
16 the VFP Program shall be to—

17 (1) eliminate extreme poverty;

18 (2) reduce world hunger and malnutrition;

19 (3) increase access to safe potable water;

20 (4) enact universal education;

21 (5) reduce child mortality and childhood dis-  
22 eases;

23 (6) combat the spread of preventable diseases,  
24 including HIV, malaria, and tuberculosis;

1           (7) provide educational and work skill support  
 2           for girls and empowering women to achieve inde-  
 3           pendence;

4           (8) create sustainable business and entrepre-  
 5           neurial opportunities; and

6           (9) increase access to information technology.

7           (c) VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY SERVICE INCEN-  
 8           TIVE PROGRAM.—

9           (1) IN GENERAL.—The VfP Office may provide  
 10          fixed amount stipends to offset the travel and living  
 11          costs of volunteering abroad to any individual who—

12               (A) has skills relevant to addressing any  
 13               objective described in subsection (b); and

14               (B) provides a dollar-for-dollar match for  
 15               such stipend—

16                       (i) through the organization with  
 17                       which the individual is serving; or

18                       (ii) by raising private funds.

19          (2) NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENT.—The  
 20          VfP Office may not provide a stipend to an indi-  
 21          vidual under paragraph (1) unless the individual  
 22          provides an assurance that he or she will not dis-  
 23          criminate with respect to any project or activity be-  
 24          cause of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, polit-  
 25          ical affiliation, or beliefs.

1           ~~(3) COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE~~  
 2           ~~CATEGORIES.~~—Service carried out by a volunteer re-  
 3           ceiving funds under this section may not provide a  
 4           direct benefit to any—

5                   ~~(A) business organized for profit;~~  
 6                   ~~(B) labor union;~~  
 7                   ~~(C) partisan political organization; or~~  
 8                   ~~(D) religious or faith-based organization~~  
 9           for the purpose of proselytization or sectarian  
 10          worship.

11          ~~(d) FUNDING.—~~

12           ~~(1) IN GENERAL.~~—The Secretary of State, in  
 13           consultation with the Administrator of the United  
 14           States Agency for International Development, shall  
 15           make available the amounts appropriated pursuant  
 16           to section 204 to the VFP Office to pursue the objec-  
 17           tives described in subsection (b) by carrying out the  
 18           functions described in subsection (a).

19           ~~(2) USE OF FUNDS.~~—Amounts made available  
 20           under paragraph (1) may be used by the VFP Office  
 21           to provide personnel and other resources to develop,  
 22           manage, and expand the VFP Program, under the  
 23           supervision of the United States Agency for Inter-  
 24           national Development.



1       (e) **COORDINATION.**—The VfP Office shall coordinate  
 2 its efforts with other public and private efforts that aim  
 3 to send skilled professionals to serve in developing nations.

4       (f) **REPORT.**—The VfP Office shall submit an annual  
 5 report to Congress on the activities of the VfP Office.

6 **SEC. 204. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

7       (a) **IN GENERAL.**—There are authorized to be appro-  
 8 priated to carry out this title \$10,000,000 for each of the  
 9 fiscal years 2010 through 2014.

10       (b) **ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.**—Of the amounts appro-  
 11 priated pursuant to subsection (a)—

12               (1) 90 percent shall be expended to expand  
 13 VfPServe; and

14               (2) 10 percent shall be expended to manage the  
 15 VfP Program.

16 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

17       (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—*This Act may be cited as the*  
 18 *“Serve America Act”.*

19       (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—*The table of contents of this*  
 20 *Act is as follows:*

*Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.*

*TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE  
 ACT OF 1990*

*Sec. 1001. References.*

*Subtitle A—Amendments to Subtitle A (General Provisions)*

*Sec. 1101. Purposes.*

*Sec. 1102. Definitions.*

*Subtitle B—Amendments to Subtitle B (Learn and Serve America)*

- Sec. 1201. School-based allotments.*
- Sec. 1202. Higher education provisions.*
- Sec. 1203. Campuses of Service.*
- Sec. 1204. Innovative programs and research.*
- Sec. 1205. Service-learning impact study.*

*Subtitle C—Amendments to Subtitle C (National Service Trust Program)*

- Sec. 1301. Prohibition on grants to Federal agencies; limits on Corporation costs.*
- Sec. 1302. Eligible national service programs.*
- Sec. 1303. Types of positions.*
- Sec. 1304. Conforming repeal relating to training and technical assistance.*
- Sec. 1305. Assistance to State Commissions; challenge grants.*
- Sec. 1306. Allocation of assistance to States and other eligible entities.*
- Sec. 1307. Additional authority.*
- Sec. 1308. State selection of programs.*
- Sec. 1309. National service program assistance requirements.*
- Sec. 1310. Consideration of applications.*
- Sec. 1311. Description of participants.*
- Sec. 1312. Selection of national service participants.*
- Sec. 1313. Terms of service.*
- Sec. 1314. Adjustments to living allowance.*

*Subtitle D—Amendments to Subtitle D (National Service Trust and Provision of National Service Educational Awards)*

- Sec. 1401. Availability of funds in the National Service Trust.*
- Sec. 1402. Individuals eligible to receive an educational award from the Trust.*
- Sec. 1403. Certifications.*
- Sec. 1404. Determination of the amount of the educational award.*
- Sec. 1405. Disbursement of educational awards.*
- Sec. 1406. Approval process for approved positions.*

*Subtitle E—Amendments to Subtitle E (National Civilian Community Corps)*

- Sec. 1501. Purpose.*
- Sec. 1502. Program components.*
- Sec. 1503. Eligible participants.*
- Sec. 1504. Summer national service program.*
- Sec. 1505. National Civilian Community Corps.*
- Sec. 1506. Training.*
- Sec. 1507. Consultation with State Commissions.*
- Sec. 1508. Authorized benefits for Corps members.*
- Sec. 1509. Permanent cadre.*
- Sec. 1510. Status of Corps members and Corps personnel under Federal law.*
- Sec. 1511. Contract and grant authority.*
- Sec. 1512. Other departments.*
- Sec. 1513. Advisory Board.*
- Sec. 1514. Evaluations.*
- Sec. 1515. Repeal of funding limitation.*
- Sec. 1516. Definitions.*
- Sec. 1517. Terminology.*

*Subtitle F—Amendments to Subtitle F (Administrative Provisions)*

- Sec. 1601. Family and medical leave.*
- Sec. 1602. Reports.*
- Sec. 1603. Use of funds.*
- Sec. 1604. Notice, hearing, and grievance procedures.*
- Sec. 1605. Resolution of displacement complaints.*
- Sec. 1606. State Commissions on National and Community Service.*
- Sec. 1607. Evaluation and accountability.*
- Sec. 1608. Civic Health Index.*
- Sec. 1609. Contingent extension.*
- Sec. 1610. Partnerships with schools.*
- Sec. 1611. Rights of access, examination, and copying.*
- Sec. 1612. Additional administrative provisions.*

*Subtitle G—Amendments to Subtitle G (Corporation for National and Community Service)*

- Sec. 1701. Terms of office.*
- Sec. 1702. Board of Directors authorities and duties.*
- Sec. 1703. Chief Executive Officer compensation.*
- Sec. 1704. Authorities and duties of the Chief Executive Officer.*
- Sec. 1705. Chief Financial Officer status.*
- Sec. 1706. Nonvoting members; personal services contracts.*
- Sec. 1707. Donated services.*
- Sec. 1708. Delegation to States.*
- Sec. 1709. Study of involvement of veterans.*
- Sec. 1710. Study to examine and increase service programs for displaced workers in services corps and community service and to develop pilot program planning study.*
- Sec. 1711. Study to evaluate the effectiveness of agency coordination.*

*Subtitle H—Amendments to Subtitle H (Investment for Quality and Innovation)*

- Sec. 1801. Technical amendment to subtitle H.*
- Sec. 1802. Additional Corporation activities to support national service.*
- Sec. 1803. Repeals.*
- Sec. 1804. Presidential awards.*
- Sec. 1805. New fellowships.*
- Sec. 1806. National Service Reserve Corps.*
- Sec. 1807. Social Innovation Funds pilot program.*
- Sec. 1808. Clearinghouses.*

*Subtitle I—Training and Technical Assistance*

- Sec. 1821. Training and technical assistance.*

*Subtitle J—Repeal of Title III (Points of Light Foundation)*

- Sec. 1831. Repeal.*

*Subtitle K—Amendments to Title V (Authorization of Appropriations)*

- Sec. 1841. Authorization of appropriations.*

*TITLE II—DOMESTIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE ACT OF 1973*

*Sec. 2001. References.*

*Sec. 2002. Volunteerism policy.*

*Subtitle A—National Volunteer Antipoverty Programs*

*CHAPTER 1—VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO AMERICA*

*Sec. 2101. Statement of purpose.*

*Sec. 2102. Selection and assignment of volunteers.*

*Sec. 2103. Support service.*

*Sec. 2104. Repeal.*

*CHAPTER 2—UNIVERSITY YEAR FOR VISTA*

*Sec. 2121. University year for VISTA.*

*CHAPTER 3—SPECIAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS*

*Sec. 2131. Statement of purpose.*

*Sec. 2132. Literacy challenge grants.*

*Subtitle B—National Senior Service Corps*

*Sec. 2141. Title.*

*Sec. 2142. Statement of purpose.*

*Sec. 2143. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program.*

*Sec. 2144. Foster grandparent program.*

*Sec. 2145. Senior companion program.*

*Sec. 2146. General provisions.*

*Subtitle C—Administration and Coordination*

*Sec. 2151. Special limitations.*

*Sec. 2152. Evaluation.*

*Sec. 2153. Definitions.*

*Sec. 2154. Protection against improper use.*

*Sec. 2155. Provisions under the National and Community Service Act of 1990.*

*Subtitle D—Authorization of Appropriations*

*Sec. 2161. Authorizations of appropriations.*

*TITLE III—TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO TABLES OF CONTENTS*

*Sec. 3101. Table of contents of the National and Community Service Act of 1990.*

*Sec. 3102. Table of contents of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973.*

*TITLE IV—AMENDMENTS TO OTHER LAWS*

*Sec. 4101. Inspector General Act of 1978.*

*TITLE V—VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY PROGRAM*

*Sec. 5101. Findings.*

*Sec. 5102. Definitions.*

*Sec. 5103. Office of Volunteers for Prosperity.*

*Sec. 5104. Authorization of appropriations.*

## TITLE VI—EFFECTIVE DATE

*Sec. 6101. Effective date.*

*Sec. 6102. Service assignments and agreements.*

1 **TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO NA-**  
 2 **TIONAL AND COMMUNITY**  
 3 **SERVICE ACT OF 1990**

4 **SEC. 1001. REFERENCES.**

5 *Except as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in*  
 6 *this title an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of*  
 7 *an amendment to, or repeal of, a provision, the amendment*  
 8 *or repeal shall be considered to be made to a provision of*  
 9 *the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42*  
 10 *U.S.C. 12501 et seq.).*

11 **Subtitle A—Amendments to Subtitle**  
 12 **A (General Provisions)**

13 **SEC. 1101. PURPOSES.**

14 *Section 2(b) (42 U.S.C. 12501(b)) is amended—*

15 *(1) in paragraph (2), by striking “community*  
 16 *throughout” and inserting “community and service*  
 17 *throughout the varied and diverse communities of”;*

18 *(2) in paragraph (4), by inserting after “in-*  
 19 *come,” the following: “geographic location,”;*

20 *(3) in paragraph (6), by inserting after “exist-*  
 21 *ing” the following: “national”;*

22 *(4) in paragraph (7)—*

1           (A) by striking “programs and agencies”  
 2           and inserting “programs, agencies, and commu-  
 3           nities”; and

4           (B) by striking “and” at the end;

5           (5) in paragraph (8), by striking the period and  
 6           inserting a semicolon; and

7           (6) by adding at the end the following:

8           “(9) expand and strengthen service-learning pro-  
 9           grams through year-round opportunities, including  
 10          opportunities during the summer months, to improve  
 11          the education of children and youth and to maximize  
 12          the benefits of national and community service, in  
 13          order to renew the ethic of civic responsibility and the  
 14          spirit of community for children and youth through-  
 15          out the United States;

16          “(10) assist in coordinating and strengthening  
 17          Federal and other service opportunities, including op-  
 18          portunities for participation in emergency and dis-  
 19          aster preparedness, relief, and recovery;

20          “(11) increase service opportunities for the Na-  
 21          tion’s retiring professionals, including such opportu-  
 22          nities for those retiring from the science, technical,  
 23          engineering, and mathematics professions, to improve  
 24          the education of the Nation’s youth and keep America  
 25          competitive in the global knowledge economy, and to

1 *further utilize the experience, knowledge, and skills of*  
2 *older individuals;*

3 “(12) *encourage the continued service of the*  
4 *alumni of the national service programs, including*  
5 *service in times of national need;*

6 “(13) *encourage individuals age 55 or older to*  
7 *partake of service opportunities;*

8 “(14) *focus national service on the areas of na-*  
9 *tional need such service has the capacity to address,*  
10 *such as improving education, increasing energy con-*  
11 *servation, improving the health status of economically*  
12 *disadvantaged individuals, and improving economic*  
13 *opportunity for economically disadvantaged individ-*  
14 *uals;*

15 “(15) *recognize and increase the impact of social*  
16 *entrepreneurs and other nonprofit community organi-*  
17 *zations in addressing national and local challenges;*

18 “(16) *increase public and private investment in*  
19 *nonprofit community organizations that are effec-*  
20 *tively addressing national and local challenges and*  
21 *encourage such organizations to replicate and expand*  
22 *successful initiatives;*

23 “(17) *leverage Federal investments to increase*  
24 *State, local, business, and philanthropic resources to*  
25 *address national and local challenges; and*

1           “(18) support institutions of higher education  
2           that engage students in community service activities  
3           and provide high-quality service-learning opportuni-  
4           ties.”.

5 **SEC. 1102. DEFINITIONS.**

6           (a) *IN GENERAL*.—Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 12511) is  
7 amended—

8           (1) in paragraph (3), by striking “described in  
9           section 122”;

10           (2) in paragraph (13), by striking “section  
11           101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965” and in-  
12           serting “sections 101(a) and 102(a)(1) of the Higher  
13           Education Act of 1965”;

14           (3) in paragraph (17)(B), by striking “program  
15           in which the participant is enrolled” and inserting  
16           “organization receiving assistance under the national  
17           service laws through which the participant is engag-  
18           ing in service”;

19           (4) in paragraph (19)—

20           (A) by striking “section 111(a)” and insert-  
21           ing “section 112(a)”;

22           (B) by striking “117A(a),”;

23           (C) by striking “119(b)(1), or 122(a),” and  
24           inserting “118A, or 118(b)(1), or subsection (a),  
25           (b), or (c) of section 122,”;



1           (D) by inserting “section 198B, 198C,  
2           198G, 198H, or 198K,” after “section 152(b),”;  
3           and

4           (E) by striking “198, 198C, or 198D” and  
5           inserting “179A, 198, 198O, 198P, or 199N”;  
6           (5) in paragraph (21)(B)—

7           (A) by striking “602” and inserting  
8           “602(3)”; and

9           (B) by striking “1401” and inserting  
10          “1401(3)”;

11          (6) in paragraph (24), by striking “section 111”  
12          and inserting “section 112”;

13          (7) in paragraph (26), by striking the second  
14          sentence; and

15          (8) by adding at the end the following:

16          “(30) ALASKA NATIVE-SERVING INSTITUTION.—  
17          The term ‘Alaska Native-serving institution’ has the  
18          meaning given the term in section 317(b) of the High-  
19          er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)).

20          “(31) APPROVED SILVER SCHOLAR POSITION.—  
21          The term ‘approved silver scholar position’ means a  
22          position, in a program described in section 198C(a),  
23          for which the Corporation has approved the provision  
24          of a silver scholarship educational award as one of

1     *the benefits to be provided for successful service in the*  
 2     *position.*

3             “(32) *APPROVED SUMMER OF SERVICE POSI-*  
 4     *TION.—The term ‘approved summer of service posi-*  
 5     *tion’ means a position, in a program described in sec-*  
 6     *tion 119(c)(8), for which the Corporation has ap-*  
 7     *proved the provision of a summer of service edu-*  
 8     *cational award as one of the benefits to be provided*  
 9     *for successful service in the position.*

10            “(33) *ASIAN AMERICAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN*  
 11     *PACIFIC ISLANDER-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term*  
 12     *‘Asian American and Native American Pacific Is-*  
 13     *lander-serving institution’ has the meaning given the*  
 14     *term in section 320(b) of the Higher Education Act*  
 15     *of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059g(b)).*

16            “(34) *AUTHORIZING COMMITTEES.—The term*  
 17     *‘authorizing committees’ means the Committee on*  
 18     *Education and Labor of the House of Representatives*  
 19     *and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and*  
 20     *Pensions of the Senate.*

21            “(35) *COMMUNITY-BASED ENTITY.—The term*  
 22     *‘community-based entity’ means a public or private*  
 23     *nonprofit organization that—*

1           “(A) *has experience with meeting unmet*  
 2           *human, educational, environmental, or public*  
 3           *safety needs; and*

4           “(B) *meets other such criteria as the Chief*  
 5           *Executive Officer may establish.*

6           “(36) *DISADVANTAGED YOUTH.—The term ‘dis-*  
 7           *advantaged youth’ includes those youth who are eco-*  
 8           *nomically disadvantaged and 1 or more of the fol-*  
 9           *lowing:*

10           “(A) *Who are out-of-school youth, including*  
 11           *out-of-school youth who are unemployed.*

12           “(B) *Who are in or aging out of foster care.*

13           “(C) *Who have limited English proficiency.*

14           “(D) *Who are homeless or who have run*  
 15           *away from home.*

16           “(E) *Who are at-risk to leave secondary*  
 17           *school without a diploma.*

18           “(F) *Who are former juvenile offenders or at*  
 19           *risk of delinquency.*

20           “(G) *Who are individuals with a disability.*

21           “(37) *HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The*  
 22           *term ‘Hispanic-serving institution’ has the meaning*  
 23           *given such term in section 502(a) of the Higher Edu-*  
 24           *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1101a(a)).*

1           “(38) *HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE OR UNI-*  
 2           *VERSITY.*—*The term ‘historically black college or uni-*  
 3           *versity’ means a part B institution, as defined in sec-*  
 4           *tion 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20*  
 5           *U.S.C. 1061).*

6           “(39) *MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED POPULATION.*—  
 7           *The term ‘medically underserved population’ has the*  
 8           *meaning given that term in section 330(b)(3) of the*  
 9           *Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(b)(3)).*

10           “(40) *NATIVE AMERICAN-SERVING, NONTRIBAL*  
 11           *INSTITUTION.*—*The term ‘Native American-serving,*  
 12           *nontribal institution’ has the meaning given the term*  
 13           *in section 319(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965*  
 14           *(20 U.S.C. 1059f(b)).*

15           “(41) *NATIVE HAWAIIAN-SERVING INSTITU-*  
 16           *TION.*—*The term ‘Native Hawaiian-serving institu-*  
 17           *tion’ has the meaning given the term in section*  
 18           *317(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20*  
 19           *U.S.C. 1059d(b)).*

20           “(42) *PREDOMINANTLY BLACK INSTITUTION.*—  
 21           *The term ‘Predominantly Black Institution’ has the*  
 22           *meaning given the term in section 318 of the Higher*  
 23           *Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059e).*

1 “(43) *PRINCIPLES OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.*—

2 *The term ‘principles of scientific research’ means*  
 3 *principles of research that—*

4 “(A) *apply rigorous, systematic, and objec-*  
 5 *tive methodology to obtain reliable and valid*  
 6 *knowledge relevant to the subject matter involved;*

7 “(B) *present findings and make claims that*  
 8 *are appropriate to, and supported by, the meth-*  
 9 *ods that have been employed; and*

10 “(C) *include, appropriate to the research*  
 11 *being conducted—*

12 “(i) *use of systematic, empirical meth-*  
 13 *ods that draw on observation or experiment;*

14 “(ii) *use of data analyses that are ade-*  
 15 *quate to support the general findings;*

16 “(iii) *reliance on measurements or ob-*  
 17 *servational methods that provide reliable*  
 18 *and generalizable findings;*

19 “(iv) *strong claims of causal relation-*  
 20 *ships, only with research designs that elimi-*  
 21 *nate plausible competing explanations for*  
 22 *observed results, such as, but not limited to,*  
 23 *random-assignment experiments;*

24 “(v) *presentation of studies and meth-*  
 25 *ods in sufficient detail and clarity to allow*

1           *for replication or, at a minimum, to offer*  
 2           *the opportunity to build systematically on*  
 3           *the findings of the research;*

4           “(vi) acceptance by a peer-reviewed  
 5           journal or critique by a panel of inde-  
 6           pendent experts through a comparably rig-  
 7           orous, objective, and scientific review; and

8           “(vii) consistency of findings across  
 9           multiple studies or sites to support the gen-  
 10          erality of results and conclusions.

11          “(44) *QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION.*—The term  
 12          ‘qualified organization’ means a public or private  
 13          nonprofit organization with experience working with  
 14          school-age youth that meets such criteria as the Chief  
 15          Executive Officer may establish.

16          “(45) *SCIENTIFICALLY VALID RESEARCH.*—The  
 17          term ‘scientifically valid research’ includes applied  
 18          research, basic research, and field-initiated research  
 19          in which the rationale, design, and interpretation are  
 20          soundly developed in accordance with principles of  
 21          scientific research.

22          “(46) *TERRITORY.*—The term ‘territory’ means  
 23          the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American  
 24          Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mar-  
 25          iana Islands.

1           “(47) *TRIBALLY CONTROLLED COLLEGE OR UNI-*  
 2           *VERSITY.*—*The term ‘tribally controlled college or*  
 3           *university’ has the meaning given such term in sec-*  
 4           *tion 2 of the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Univer-*  
 5           *sities Assistance Act of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 1801).*

6           “(48) *VETERAN.*—*The term ‘veteran’ has the*  
 7           *meaning given the term in section 101 of title 38,*  
 8           *United States Code.”.*

9           ***(b) REDESIGNATION.***—*Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 12511)*  
 10          *is amended by redesignating paragraphs (1) through (48)*  
 11          *as paragraphs (1), (3), (8), (9), (10), (12), (14), (15), (18),*  
 12          *(19), (20), (21), (22), (23), (25), (28), (29), (30), (33), (34),*  
 13          *(36), (38), (39), (40), (41), (42), (43), (44), (45), (2), (4),*  
 14          *(5), (6), (7), (11), (13), (16), (17), (24), (26), (27), (31),*  
 15          *(32), (35), (37), (46), (47), and (48).*

16          ***Subtitle B—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 17          ***B (Learn and Serve America)***

18          ***SEC. 1201. SCHOOL-BASED ALLOTMENTS.***

19          *Part I of subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.)*  
 20          *is amended to read as follows:*

21          ***“PART I—PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY AND***  
 22          ***SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS***

23          ***“SEC. 111. PURPOSE.***

24          *“The purpose of this part is to promote service-learn-*  
 25          *ing as a strategy to—*

1           “(1) support high-quality service-learning  
2 projects that engage students in meeting community  
3 needs with demonstrable results, while enhancing stu-  
4 dents’ academic and civic learning; and

5           “(2) support efforts to build institutional capac-  
6 ity, including the training of educators, and to  
7 strengthen the service infrastructure to expand service  
8 opportunities.

9 **“SEC. 111A. DEFINITIONS.**

10       *“In this part:*

11           “(1) *STATE*.—The term ‘State’ means each of the  
12 several States, the District of Columbia, and the Com-  
13 monwealth of Puerto Rico.

14           “(2) *STATE EDUCATIONAL AGENCY*.—The term  
15 ‘State educational agency’ means a State educational  
16 agency (as defined in section 101) of a State.

17 **“SEC. 112. ASSISTANCE TO STATES, TERRITORIES, AND IN-**  
18 **DIAN TRIBES.**

19       “(a) *ALLOTMENTS TO STATES, TERRITORIES, AND IN-*  
20 *DIAN TRIBES*.—The Corporation, in consultation with the  
21 Secretary of Education, may make allotments to State edu-  
22 cational agencies, territories, and Indian tribes to pay for  
23 the Federal share of—

24           “(1) planning and building the capacity within  
25 the State, territory, or Indian tribe involved to imple-



1        *ment service-learning programs that are based prin-*  
 2        *cipally in elementary schools and secondary schools,*  
 3        *including—*

4                *“(A) providing training and professional*  
 5                *development for teachers, supervisors, personnel*  
 6                *from community-based entities (particularly*  
 7                *with regard to the recruitment, utilization, and*  
 8                *management of participants), and trainers, to be*  
 9                *conducted by qualified individuals or organiza-*  
 10               *tions that have experience with service-learning;*

11               *“(B) developing service-learning curricula,*  
 12               *consistent with State or local academic content*  
 13               *standards, to be integrated into academic pro-*  
 14               *grams, including curricula for an age-appro-*  
 15               *priate learning component that provides partici-*  
 16               *pants an opportunity to analyze and apply their*  
 17               *service experiences;*

18               *“(C) forming local partnerships described in*  
 19               *paragraph (2) or (4)(D) to develop school-based*  
 20               *service-learning programs in accordance with*  
 21               *this part;*

22               *“(D) devising appropriate methods for re-*  
 23               *search on and evaluation of the educational*  
 24               *value of service-learning and the effect of service-*  
 25               *learning activities on communities;*

1           “(E) establishing effective outreach and dis-  
 2           semination of information to ensure the broadest  
 3           possible involvement of community-based entities  
 4           with demonstrated effectiveness in working with  
 5           school-age youth in their communities; and

6           “(F) establishing effective outreach and dis-  
 7           semination of information to ensure the broadest  
 8           possible participation of schools throughout the  
 9           State, throughout the territory, or serving the In-  
 10          dian tribe involved with particular attention to  
 11          schools identified for school improvement under  
 12          title I of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-  
 13          cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.);

14          “(2) implementing, operating, or expanding  
 15          school-based service-learning programs, which may  
 16          include paying for the cost of the recruitment, train-  
 17          ing, supervision, placement, salaries, and benefits of  
 18          service-learning coordinators, through distribution by  
 19          State educational agencies, territories, and Indian  
 20          tribes of Federal funds made available under this part  
 21          to projects operated by local partnerships among—

22               “(A) local educational agencies; and

23               “(B) 1 or more community partners that—

24                   “(i) shall include a public or private  
 25                   nonprofit organization that—

1                   “(I) has a demonstrated expertise  
 2                   in the provision of services to meet  
 3                   unmet human, education, environ-  
 4                   mental, or public safety needs;

5                   “(II) will make projects available  
 6                   for participants, who shall be students;  
 7                   and

8                   “(III) was in existence at least 1  
 9                   year before the date on which the orga-  
 10                  nization submitted an application  
 11                  under section 113; and

12                  “(ii) may include a private for-profit  
 13                  business, private elementary school or sec-  
 14                  ondary school, or Indian tribe (except that  
 15                  an Indian tribe distributing funds to a  
 16                  project under this paragraph is not eligible  
 17                  to be part of the partnership operating that  
 18                  project);

19                  “(3) planning of school-based service-learning  
 20                  programs, through distribution by State educational  
 21                  agencies, territories, and Indian tribes of Federal  
 22                  funds made available under this part to local edu-  
 23                  cational agencies and Indian tribes, which planning  
 24                  may include paying for the cost of—

1           “(A) the salaries and benefits of service-  
2           learning coordinators; or

3           “(B) the recruitment, training and profes-  
4           sional development, supervision, and placement  
5           of service-learning coordinators who may be par-  
6           ticipants in a program under subtitle C or re-  
7           ceive a national service educational award under  
8           subtitle D, who may be participants in a project  
9           under section 201 of the Domestic Volunteer  
10          Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 5001), or who  
11          may participate in a Youthbuild program under  
12          section 173A of the Workforce Investment Act of  
13          1998 (29 U.S.C. 2918a),  
14          who will identify the community partners described  
15          in paragraph (2)(B) and assist in the design and im-  
16          plementation of a program described in paragraph  
17          (2);

18          “(4) implementing, operating, or expanding  
19          school-based service-learning programs to utilize adult  
20          volunteers in service-learning to improve the edu-  
21          cation of students, through distribution by State edu-  
22          cational agencies, territories, and Indian tribes of  
23          Federal funds made available under this part to—

24          “(A) local educational agencies;

1           “(B) *Indian tribes (except that an Indian*  
 2           *tribe distributing funds under this paragraph is*  
 3           *not eligible to be a recipient of those funds);*

4           “(C) *public or private nonprofit organiza-*  
 5           *tions; or*

6           “(D) *partnerships or combinations of local*  
 7           *educational agencies, and entities described in*  
 8           *subparagraph (B) or (C); and*

9           “(5) *developing, as service-learning programs,*  
 10          *civic engagement programs that promote a better un-*  
 11          *derstanding of—*

12           “(A) *the principles of the Constitution, the*  
 13           *heroes of United States history (including mili-*  
 14           *tary heroes), and the meaning of the Pledge of*  
 15           *Allegiance;*

16           “(B) *how the Nation’s government func-*  
 17           *tions; and*

18           “(C) *the importance of service in the Na-*  
 19           *tion’s character.*

20          “(b) *DUTIES OF SERVICE-LEARNING COORDINATOR.—*  
 21          *A service-learning coordinator referred to in paragraph (2)*  
 22          *or (3) of subsection (a) shall provide services to a local part-*  
 23          *nership described in subsection (a)(2) or entity described*  
 24          *in subsection (a)(3), respectively, that may include—*

1           “(1) *providing technical assistance and informa-*  
 2           *tion to, and facilitating the training of, teachers and*  
 3           *assisting in the planning, development, execution, and*  
 4           *evaluation of service-learning in their classrooms;*

5           “(2) *assisting local partnerships described in*  
 6           *subsection (a)(2) in the planning, development, and*  
 7           *execution of service-learning projects, including sum-*  
 8           *mer of service programs; and*

9           “(3) *carrying out such other duties as the local*  
 10          *partnership or entity, respectively, may determine to*  
 11          *be appropriate.*

12          “(c) *RELATED EXPENSES.—An entity that receives fi-*  
 13          *nancial assistance under this part from a State, territory,*  
 14          *or Indian tribe may, in carrying out the activities described*  
 15          *in subsection (a), use such assistance to pay for the Federal*  
 16          *share of reasonable costs related to the supervision of par-*  
 17          *ticipants, program administration, transportation, insur-*  
 18          *ance, and evaluations and for other reasonable expenses re-*  
 19          *lated to the activities.*

20          “(d) *CONSULTATION WITH SECRETARY OF EDU-*  
 21          *CATION.—The Corporation is authorized to enter into agree-*  
 22          *ments with the Secretary of Education for initiatives (and*  
 23          *may use funds authorized under section 501(a)(6) to enter*  
 24          *into the agreements if the additional costs of the initiatives*  
 25          *are warranted) that may include—*

1           “(1) *identification and dissemination of research*  
 2           *findings on service-learning and scientifically valid*  
 3           *research based practices for service-learning; and*

4           “(2) *provision of professional development oppor-*  
 5           *tunities that—*

6                   “(A) *improve the quality of service-learning*  
 7                   *instruction and delivery for teachers both*  
 8                   *preservice and in-service, personnel from commu-*  
 9                   *nity-based entities and youth workers; and*

10                   “(B) *create and sustain effective partner-*  
 11                   *ships for service-learning programs between local*  
 12                   *educational agencies, community-based entities,*  
 13                   *businesses, and other stakeholders.*

14   **“SEC. 112A. ALLOTMENTS.**

15           “(a) *INDIAN TRIBES AND TERRITORIES.—Of the*  
 16           *amounts appropriated to carry out this part for any fiscal*  
 17           *year, the Corporation shall reserve an amount of not less*  
 18           *than 2 percent and not more than 3 percent for payments*  
 19           *to Indian tribes, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam,*  
 20           *American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern*  
 21           *Mariana Islands, to be allotted in accordance with their*  
 22           *respective needs.*

23           “(b) *ALLOTMENTS THROUGH STATES.—After reserv-*  
 24           *ing an amount under subsection (a), the Corporation shall*

1 *use the remainder of the funds appropriated to carry out*  
 2 *this part for the fiscal year as follows:*

3           “(1) *ALLOTMENTS BASED ON SCHOOL-AGE*  
 4 *YOUTH.—From 50 percent of such remainder, the*  
 5 *Corporation shall allot to each State an amount that*  
 6 *bears the same ratio to 50 percent of such remainder*  
 7 *as the number of school-age youth in the State bears*  
 8 *to the total number of school-age youth in all States.*

9           “(2) *ALLOTMENTS BASED ON ALLOCATIONS*  
 10 *UNDER ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION*  
 11 *ACT OF 1965.—From 50 percent of such remainder, the*  
 12 *Corporation shall allot to each State an amount that*  
 13 *bears the same ratio to 50 percent of such remainder*  
 14 *as the allocation to the State for the previous fiscal*  
 15 *year under title I of the Elementary and Secondary*  
 16 *Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.) bears*  
 17 *to the total of such allocations to all States.*

18          “(c) *REALLOTMENT.—If the Corporation determines*  
 19 *that the allotment of a State, territory, or Indian tribe*  
 20 *under this section will not be required for a fiscal year be-*  
 21 *cause the State, territory, or Indian tribe did not submit*  
 22 *and receive approval of an application for the allotment*  
 23 *under section 113, the Corporation shall make the allotment*  
 24 *for such State, territory, or Indian tribe available for grants*  
 25 *to community-based entities to carry out service-learning*



1 *programs as described in section 112(b) in such State, in*  
 2 *such territory, or for such Indian tribe. After community-*  
 3 *based entities apply for grants from the allotment, by sub-*  
 4 *mitting an application at such time and in such manner*  
 5 *as the Corporation requires, and receive approval, the re-*  
 6 *mainder of such allotment shall be available for reallocation*  
 7 *to such other States, territories, or Indian tribes with ap-*  
 8 *proved applications submitted under section 113 as the Cor-*  
 9 *poration may determine to be appropriate.*

10       “(d) *MINIMUM AMOUNT.—For any fiscal year for*  
 11 *which amounts appropriated for this part exceed*  
 12 *\$50,000,000, the minimum allotment to each State under*  
 13 *subsection (b) shall be \$75,000.*

14       **“SEC. 113. APPLICATIONS.**

15       “(a) *APPLICATIONS TO CORPORATION FOR ALLOT-*  
 16 *MENTS.—*

17               “(1) *IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to receive an*  
 18 *allotment under section 112A, a State, acting through*  
 19 *the State educational agency, territory, or Indian*  
 20 *tribe shall prepare and submit to the Corporation an*  
 21 *application at such time and in such manner as the*  
 22 *Chief Executive Officer may reasonably require, and*  
 23 *obtain approval of the application.*

24               “(2) *CONTENTS.—An application for an allot-*  
 25 *ment under section 112 shall include—*

1           “(A) a proposal for a 3-year plan pro-  
 2           moting service-learning, which shall contain such  
 3           information as the Chief Executive Officer may  
 4           reasonably require, including how the applicant  
 5           will integrate service opportunities into the aca-  
 6           demic program of the participants;

7           “(B) information about the criteria the  
 8           State educational agency, territory, or Indian  
 9           tribe will use to evaluate and grant approval to  
 10          applications submitted under subsection (b), in-  
 11          cluding an assurance that the State educational  
 12          agency, territory, or Indian tribe will comply  
 13          with the requirement in section 114(a);

14          “(C) assurances about the applicant’s efforts  
 15          to—

16               “(i) ensure that students of different  
 17               ages, races, sexes, ethnic groups, disabilities,  
 18               and economic backgrounds have opportuni-  
 19               ties to serve together;

20               “(ii) include any opportunities for stu-  
 21               dents, enrolled in schools or programs of  
 22               education providing elementary or sec-  
 23               ondary education, to participate in service-  
 24               learning programs and ensure that such

1           *service-learning programs include opportu-*  
 2           *nities for such students to serve together;*

3           *“(iii) involve participants in the de-*  
 4           *sign and operation of the programs;*

5           *“(iv) promote service-learning in areas*  
 6           *of greatest need, including low-income or*  
 7           *rural areas; and*

8           *“(v) otherwise integrate service oppor-*  
 9           *tunities into the academic program of the*  
 10          *participants; and*

11          *“(D) assurances that the applicant will*  
 12          *comply with the nonduplication and non-*  
 13          *displacement requirements of section 177 and the*  
 14          *notice, hearing, and grievance procedures re-*  
 15          *quired by section 176.*

16          **“(b) APPLICATION TO STATE, TERRITORY, OR INDIAN**  
 17          **TRIBE FOR ASSISTANCE TO CARRY OUT SCHOOL-BASED**  
 18          **SERVICE-LEARNING PROGRAMS.—**

19               **“(1) IN GENERAL.—Any—**

20               *“(A) qualified organization, Indian tribe,*  
 21               *territory, local educational agency, for-profit*  
 22               *business, private elementary school or secondary*  
 23               *school, or institution of higher education that de-*  
 24               *sires to receive financial assistance under this*

1           *subpart from a State, territory, or Indian tribe*  
 2           *for an activity described in section 112(a)(1);*

3           “(B) *partnership described in section*  
 4           *112(a)(2) that desires to receive such assistance*  
 5           *from a State, territory, or Indian tribe for an*  
 6           *activity described in section 112(a)(2);*

7           “(C) *entity described in section 112(a)(3)*  
 8           *that desires to receive such assistance from a*  
 9           *State, territory, or Indian tribe for an activity*  
 10          *described in such section;*

11          “(D) *entity or partnership described in sec-*  
 12          *tion 112(a)(4) that desires to receive such assist-*  
 13          *ance from a State, territory, or Indian tribe for*  
 14          *an activity described in such section; and*

15          “(E) *entity that desires to receive such as-*  
 16          *sistance from a State, territory, or Indian tribe*  
 17          *for an activity described in section 111(a)(5),*

18          *shall prepare, submit to the State educational agency*  
 19          *for the State, territory, or Indian tribe, and obtain*  
 20          *approval of, an application for the program.*

21          “(2) *SUBMISSION.—Such application shall be*  
 22          *submitted at such time and in such manner, and*  
 23          *shall contain such information, as the agency, terri-*  
 24          *tory, or Indian tribe may reasonably require.*

1 **“SEC. 114. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS.**

2       “(a) *CRITERIA FOR APPLICATIONS.*—*In approving ap-*  
 3 *plications for allotments under section 113(a), the Corpora-*  
 4 *tion shall consider such criteria with respect to sustain-*  
 5 *ability, replicability, innovation, and quality of programs*  
 6 *under this part as the Chief Executive Officer may by regu-*  
 7 *lation specify. In providing assistance under this part, a*  
 8 *State educational agency, territory, or Indian tribe (or the*  
 9 *Corporation if section 112A(c) applies) shall consider such*  
 10 *criteria.*

11       “(b) *PRIORITY FOR LOCAL APPLICATIONS.*—*In pro-*  
 12 *viding assistance under this part, a State educational agen-*  
 13 *cy, territory, or Indian tribe (or the Corporation if section*  
 14 *112A(c) applies) shall give priority to entities that submit*  
 15 *applications under section 113 with respect to service-learn-*  
 16 *ing programs described in section 111 that are in the great-*  
 17 *est need of assistance, such as programs targeting low-in-*  
 18 *come areas or serving economically disadvantaged youth.*

19       “(c) *REJECTION OF APPLICATIONS.*—*If the Corpora-*  
 20 *tion rejects an application submitted by a State, territory,*  
 21 *or Indian tribe under section 113 for an allotment, the Cor-*  
 22 *poration shall promptly notify the State, territory, or In-*  
 23 *dian tribe of the reasons for the rejection of the application.*  
 24 *The Corporation shall provide the State, territory, or In-*  
 25 *dian tribe with a reasonable opportunity to revise and re-*  
 26 *submit the application and shall provide technical assist-*

1 *ance, if needed, to the State, territory, or Indian tribe as*  
 2 *part of the resubmission process. The Corporation shall*  
 3 *promptly reconsider such resubmitted application.*

4 ***“SEC. 115. PARTICIPATION OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS***  
 5 ***FROM PRIVATE SCHOOLS.***

6 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—To the extent consistent with the*  
 7 *number of students in the State, in the territory, or served*  
 8 *by the Indian tribe or in the school district of the local edu-*  
 9 *cational agency involved who are enrolled in private non-*  
 10 *profit elementary schools and secondary schools, such State,*  
 11 *territory, or Indian tribe, or agency shall (after consulta-*  
 12 *tion with appropriate private school representatives) make*  
 13 *provision—*

14 *“(1) for the inclusion of services and arrange-*  
 15 *ments for the benefit of such students so as to allow*  
 16 *for the equitable participation of such students in the*  
 17 *programs implemented to carry out the objectives and*  
 18 *provide the benefits described in this part; and*

19 *“(2) for the training of the teachers of such stu-*  
 20 *dents so as to allow for the equitable participation of*  
 21 *such teachers in the programs implemented to carry*  
 22 *out the objectives and provide the benefits described in*  
 23 *this part.*

24 *“(b) WAIVER.—If a State, territory, Indian tribe, or*  
 25 *local educational agency is prohibited by law from pro-*

1 *viding for the participation of students or teachers from*  
 2 *private nonprofit schools as required by subsection (a), or*  
 3 *if the Corporation determines that a State, territory, In-*  
 4 *dian tribe, or local educational agency substantially fails*  
 5 *or is unwilling to provide for such participation on an eq-*  
 6 *uitable basis, the Chief Executive Officer shall waive such*  
 7 *requirements and shall arrange for the provision of services*  
 8 *to such students and teachers.*

9 **“SEC. 116. FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS.**

10 **“(a) CORPORATION SHARE.—**

11 **“(1) IN GENERAL.—***The Corporation share of the*  
 12 *cost of carrying out a program for which a grant is*  
 13 *made from an allotment under this part—*

14 **“(A) for new grants may not exceed 80 per-**  
 15 **cent of the total cost of the program for the first**  
 16 **year of the grant period, 65 percent for the sec-**  
 17 **ond year, and 50 percent for each remaining**  
 18 **year; and**

19 **“(B) for continuing grants, may not exceed**  
 20 **50 percent of the total cost of the program.**

21 **“(2) NONCORPORATION CONTRIBUTION.—***In pro-*  
 22 *viding for the remaining share of the cost of carrying*  
 23 *out such a program, each recipient of such a grant*  
 24 *under this part—*

1           “(A) shall provide for such share through a  
 2           payment in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, in-  
 3           cluding facilities, equipment, or services;

4           “(B) except as provided in subparagraph  
 5           (C), may provide for such share through State  
 6           sources or local sources, including private funds  
 7           or donated services; and

8           “(C) in the case of recipients that are  
 9           schools receiving funding under title I of the Ele-  
 10          mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965  
 11          (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.), may provide for such  
 12          share from funding available pursuant to title I  
 13          of such Act, if such funds are being used for ac-  
 14          tivities authorized under section 1114 or 1115  
 15          (as applicable) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 6314,  
 16          6315) and subject to the approval of the local  
 17          educational agency.

18          “(b) **WAIVER.**—The Chief Executive Officer may waive  
 19          the requirements of subsection (a) in whole or in part with  
 20          respect to any such program for any fiscal year, on a deter-  
 21          mination that such a waiver would be equitable due to a  
 22          lack of resources at the local level.

23          **“SEC. 117. LIMITATIONS ON USES OF FUNDS.**

24          “Not more than 5 percent of the amount of assistance  
 25          received by a State, territory, or Indian tribe that is the



1 *original recipient of an allotment under this part for a fis-*  
 2 *cal year may be used to pay, in accordance with such stand-*  
 3 *ards as the Corporation may issue, for administrative costs,*  
 4 *incurred by—*

5           “(1) *the original recipient; or*

6           “(2) *the entity carrying out the service-learning*  
 7 *program supported with the assistance.*”.

8 **SEC. 1202. HIGHER EDUCATION PROVISIONS.**

9           (a) *REDESIGNATION.*—Section 119 (42 U.S.C. 12561)  
 10 *is redesignated as section 118.*

11           (b) *HIGHER EDUCATION INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS.*—  
 12 *Section 118 (as so redesignated) is amended—*

13               (1) *in subsection (a), by inserting after “commu-*  
 14 *nity service programs” the following: “through serv-*  
 15 *ice-learning”;*

16               (2) *in subsection (b)—*

17                       (A) *in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*  
 18 *by striking “combination” and inserting “con-*  
 19 *sortium”;*

20                       (B) *in paragraph (1)—*

21                               (i) *in subparagraph (A), by striking*  
 22 *“and” at the end;*

23                               (ii) *in subparagraph (B), by adding*  
 24 *“and” at the end; and*

1                   (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
2                   lowing:

3                   “(C) the institution or partnership may co-  
4                   ordinate with service-learning curricula being of-  
5                   fered in the academic curricula at the institution  
6                   of higher education or at 1 or more members of  
7                   the partnership;” and

8                   (C) in paragraph (3)—

9                   (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
10                  graph (A), by striking “teachers at the ele-  
11                  mentary, secondary, and postsecondary lev-  
12                  els” and inserting “institutions of higher  
13                  education and their faculty”;

14                  (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
15                  “education of the institution; and” and in-  
16                  serting “curricula of the institution to  
17                  strengthen the instructional capacity of  
18                  teachers to provide service-learning at the  
19                  elementary and secondary levels;”;

20                  (iii) by redesignating subparagraph  
21                  (B) as subparagraph (C); and

22                  (iv) by inserting after subparagraph  
23                  (A) the following:

24                  “(B) including service-learning as a compo-  
25                  nent of other curricula or academic programs

1           *(other than education curricula or programs),*  
 2           *such as curricula or programs relating to nurs-*  
 3           *ing, medicine, criminal justice, or public policy;*  
 4           *and”;*

5           *(3) by striking subsections (c), (d), (e), and (g);*

6           *(4) by redesignating subsection (f) as (i); and*

7           *(5) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-*  
 8           *lowing:*

9           “(c) *FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS.*—

10           “(1) *FEDERAL SHARE.*—

11                   “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Federal share of*  
 12                   *the cost of carrying out a program for which as-*  
 13                   *sistance is provided under this part may not ex-*  
 14                   *ceed 50 percent of the total cost of the program.*

15                   “(B) *NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTION.*—*In*  
 16                   *providing for the remaining share of the cost of*  
 17                   *carrying out such a program, each recipient of*  
 18                   *a grant or contract under this part—*

19                           “(i) *shall provide for such share*  
 20                           *through a payment in cash or in kind, fair-*  
 21                           *ly evaluated, including facilities, equip-*  
 22                           *ment, or services; and*

23                           “(ii) *may provide for such share*  
 24                           *through State sources or local sources, in-*  
 25                           *cluding private funds or donated services.*

1           “(2) *WAIVER.*—*The Chief Executive Officer may*  
 2           *waive the requirements of paragraph (1) in whole or*  
 3           *in part with respect to any such program for any fis-*  
 4           *cal year if the Corporation determines that such a*  
 5           *waiver would be equitable due to a lack of available*  
 6           *financial resources at the local level.*

7           “(d) *APPLICATION FOR GRANT.*—

8           “(1) *SUBMISSION.*—*To receive a grant or enter*  
 9           *into a contract under this part, an institution or*  
 10           *partnership shall prepare and submit to the Corpora-*  
 11           *tion, an application at such time, in such manner,*  
 12           *and containing such information and assurances as*  
 13           *the Corporation may reasonably require, and obtain*  
 14           *approval of the application. In requesting applica-*  
 15           *tions for assistance under this part, the Corporation*  
 16           *shall specify such required information and assur-*  
 17           *ances.*

18           “(2) *CONTENTS.*—*An application submitted*  
 19           *under paragraph (1) shall contain, at a minimum—*

20           “(A) *assurances that—*

21           “(i) *prior to the placement of a partic-*  
 22           *ipant, the applicant will consult with the*  
 23           *appropriate local labor organization, if*  
 24           *any, representing employees in the area who*  
 25           *are engaged in the same or similar work as*

1                   that proposed to be carried out by such pro-  
 2                   gram, to prevent the displacement and pro-  
 3                   tect the rights of such employees; and

4                   “(ii) the applicant will comply with  
 5                   the nonduplication and nondisplacement  
 6                   provisions of section 177 and the notice,  
 7                   hearing, and grievance procedures required  
 8                   by section 176; and

9                   “(B) such other assurances as the Chief Ex-  
 10                  ecutive Officer may reasonably require.

11               “(e) *SPECIAL CONSIDERATION.*—To the extent prac-  
 12               ticable, in making grants and entering into contracts under  
 13               subsection (b), the Corporation shall give special consider-  
 14               ation to applications submitted by, or applications from  
 15               partnerships including, institutions serving primarily low-  
 16               income populations, including—

17               “(1) *Predominantly Black Institutions;*

18               “(2) *historically black colleges and universities;*

19               “(3) *Hispanic-serving institutions;*

20               “(4) *tribally controlled colleges and universities;*

21               “(5) *Native American-serving, nontribal institu-*  
 22               *tions;*

23               “(6) *Alaska Native-serving institutions;*

24               “(7) *Asian American and Native American Pa-*  
 25               *cific Islander-serving institutions;*

1           “(8) *Native Hawaiian-serving institutions; and*

2           “(9) *community colleges serving predominantly*  
3           *minority populations.*

4           “(f) *CONSIDERATIONS.—In making grants and enter-*  
5           *ing into contracts under subsection (b), the Corporation*  
6           *shall take into consideration whether the applicants submit*  
7           *applications containing proposals that—*

8                 “(1) *demonstrate the commitment of the institu-*  
9                 *tion of higher education involved, other than by dem-*  
10                *onstrating the commitment of the students, to sup-*  
11                *porting the community service projects carried out*  
12                *under the program;*

13               “(2) *specify the manner in which the institution*  
14                *will promote faculty, administration, and staff par-*  
15                *ticipation in the community service projects;*

16               “(3) *specify the manner in which the institution*  
17                *will provide service to the community through orga-*  
18                *nized programs, including, where appropriate, clin-*  
19                *ical programs for students in professional schools and*  
20                *colleges;*

21               “(4) *describe any partnership that will partici-*  
22                *pate in the community service projects, such as a*  
23                *partnership comprised of—*

24                         “(A) *the institution;*

25                         “(B)(i) *a community-based agency;*

1                   “(ii) a local government agency; or

2                   “(iii) a nonprofit entity that serves or in-  
3                   volves school-age youth, older adults, or low-in-  
4                   come communities; and

5                   “(C)(i) a student organization;

6                   “(ii) a department of the institution; or

7                   “(iii) a group of faculty comprised of dif-  
8                   ferent departments, schools, or colleges at the in-  
9                   stitution;

10                  “(5) demonstrate community involvement in the  
11                  development of the proposal and the extent to which  
12                  the proposal will contribute to the goals of the in-  
13                  volved community members;

14                  “(6) demonstrate a commitment to perform serv-  
15                  ice projects in underserved urban and rural commu-  
16                  nities;

17                  “(7) describe research on effective strategies and  
18                  methods to improve service utilized in the design of  
19                  the projects;

20                  “(8) specify that the institution or partnership  
21                  will use the assistance provided through the grant or  
22                  contract to strengthen the service infrastructure in in-  
23                  stitutions of higher education; or

1           “(9) *with respect to projects involving delivery of*  
 2           *services, specify projects that involve leadership devel-*  
 3           *opment of school-age youth.*

4           “(g) *FEDERAL WORK-STUDY.—To be eligible for as-*  
 5           *sistance under this part, an institution of higher education*  
 6           *shall demonstrate that it meets the minimum requirements*  
 7           *under section 443(b)(2)(A) of the Higher Education Act of*  
 8           *1965 (42 U.S.C. 2753(b)(2)(A)) relating to the participa-*  
 9           *tion of students employed under part C of title IV of the*  
 10           *Higher Education Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) (re-*  
 11           *lating to Federal Work-Study programs) in community*  
 12           *service activities, or has received a waiver of those require-*  
 13           *ments from the Secretary of Education.*

14           “(h) *DEFINITION.—Notwithstanding section 101, as*  
 15           *used in this part, the term ‘student’ means an individual*  
 16           *who is enrolled in an institution of higher education on*  
 17           *a full- or part-time basis.”.*

18   **SEC. 1203. CAMPUSES OF SERVICE.**

19           *Subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.) is amend-*  
 20           *ed by inserting after section 118 (as redesignated by section*  
 21           *1202) the following:*

22   **“SEC. 118A. CAMPUSES OF SERVICE.**

23           “(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Corporation, after consulta-*  
 24           *tion with the Secretary of Education, may annually des-*  
 25           *ignate not more than 25 institutions of higher education*



1 *as Campuses of Service, from among institutions nomi-*  
 2 *nated by State Commissions.*

3 “(b) *APPLICATIONS FOR NOMINATION.*—

4 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*To be eligible for a nomina-*  
 5 *tion to receive designation under subsection (a), and*  
 6 *have an opportunity to apply for funds under sub-*  
 7 *section (d) for a fiscal year, an institution of higher*  
 8 *education in a State shall submit an application to*  
 9 *the State Commission at such time, in such manner,*  
 10 *and containing such information as the State Com-*  
 11 *mission may require.*

12 “(2) *CONTENTS.*—*At a minimum, the applica-*  
 13 *tion shall include information specifying—*

14 “(A)(i) *the number of undergraduate and, if*  
 15 *applicable, graduate service-learning courses of-*  
 16 *fered at such institution for the most recent full*  
 17 *academic year preceding the fiscal year for*  
 18 *which designation is sought; and*

19 “(ii) *the number and percentage of under-*  
 20 *graduate students and, if applicable, the number*  
 21 *and percentage of graduate students at such in-*  
 22 *stitution who were enrolled in the corresponding*  
 23 *courses described in clause (i), for such preceding*  
 24 *academic year;*

1           “(B) the percentage of undergraduate stu-  
2           dents engaging in and, if applicable, the percent-  
3           age of graduate students engaging in activities  
4           providing community services, as defined in sec-  
5           tion 441(c) of the Higher Education Act of 1965  
6           (42 U.S.C. 2751(c)), during such preceding aca-  
7           demic year, the quality of such activities, and  
8           the average amount of time spent, per student,  
9           engaged in such activities;

10           “(C) for such preceding academic year, the  
11           percentage of Federal work-study funds made  
12           available to the institution under part C of title  
13           IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (42  
14           U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) that is used to compensate  
15           students employed in providing community serv-  
16           ices, as so defined, and a description of the ef-  
17           forts the institution undertakes to make available  
18           to students opportunities to provide such commu-  
19           nity services and be compensated through such  
20           work-study funds;

21           “(D) at the discretion of the institution, in-  
22           formation demonstrating the degree to which re-  
23           cent graduates of the institution, and all grad-  
24           uates of the institution, have obtained full-time  
25           public service employment in the nonprofit sector

1           or government, with a private nonprofit organi-  
 2           zation or a Federal, State, or local public agen-  
 3           cy; and

4           “(E) any programs the institution has in  
 5           place to encourage or assist graduates of the in-  
 6           stitution to pursue careers in public service in  
 7           the nonprofit sector or government.

8           “(c) *NOMINATIONS AND DESIGNATION.*—

9           “(1) *NOMINATION.*—

10           “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—A State Commission  
 11           that receives applications from institutions of  
 12           higher education under subsection (b) may nomi-  
 13           nate, for designation under subsection (a), not  
 14           more than 3 such institutions of higher edu-  
 15           cation, consisting of—

16           “(i) not more than one 4-year public  
 17           institution of higher education;

18           “(ii) not more than one 4-year private  
 19           institution of higher education; and

20           “(iii) not more than one 2-year insti-  
 21           tution of higher education.

22           “(B) *SUBMISSION.*—The State Commission  
 23           shall submit to the Corporation the name and  
 24           application of each institution nominated by the  
 25           State Commission under subparagraph (A).

1           “(2) *DESIGNATION.*—*The Corporation shall des-*  
 2           *ignate, under subsection (a), not more than 25 insti-*  
 3           *tutions of higher education from among the institu-*  
 4           *tions nominated under paragraph (1). In making the*  
 5           *designations, the Corporation shall, if feasible, des-*  
 6           *ignate various types of institutions, including institu-*  
 7           *tions from each of the categories of institutions de-*  
 8           *scribed in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of paragraph*  
 9           *(1)(A).*

10          “(d) *AWARDS.*—

11           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Using sums reserved under*  
 12           *section 501(a)(1)(C) for Campuses of Service, the Cor-*  
 13           *poration shall provide an award of funds to institu-*  
 14           *tions designated under subsection (c), to be used by*  
 15           *the institutions to develop or disseminate service-*  
 16           *learning models and information on best practices re-*  
 17           *garding service-learning to other institutions of higher*  
 18           *education.*

19           “(2) *PLAN.*—*To be eligible to receive funds under*  
 20           *this subsection, an institution designated under sub-*  
 21           *section (c) shall submit a plan to the Corporation de-*  
 22           *scribing how the institution intends to use the funds*  
 23           *to develop or disseminate service-learning models and*  
 24           *information on best practices regarding service-learn-*  
 25           *ing to other institutions of higher education.*

1           “(3) *ALLOCATION.*—The Corporation shall deter-  
 2       mine how the funds reserved under section  
 3       501(a)(1)(C) for Campuses of Service for a fiscal year  
 4       will be allocated among the institutions submitting  
 5       acceptable plans under paragraph (2). In determining  
 6       the amount of funds to be allocated to such an insti-  
 7       tution, the Corporation shall consider the number of  
 8       students at the institution, the quality and scope of  
 9       the plan submitted by the institution under para-  
 10      graph (2), and the institution’s current (as of the date  
 11      of submission of the plan) strategies to encourage or  
 12      assist students to pursue public service careers in the  
 13      nonprofit sector or government.”.

14 **SEC. 1204. INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH.**

15       Subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.), as  
 16      amended by section 1203, is further amended by adding at  
 17      the end the following:

18 **“PART III—INNOVATIVE AND COMMUNITY-BASED**  
 19 **SERVICE-LEARNING PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH**  
 20 **“SEC. 119. INNOVATIVE AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE-**  
 21 **LEARNING PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH.**

22       “(a) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this part:

23           “(1) *ELIGIBLE ENTITY.*—The term ‘eligible enti-  
 24       ty’ means a State educational agency, a State Com-  
 25       mission, a territory, an Indian tribe, an institution

1       *of higher education, or a public or private nonprofit*  
 2       *organization (including community-based entities), a*  
 3       *public or private elementary school or secondary*  
 4       *school, a local educational agency, a consortium of*  
 5       *such entities, or a consortium of 2 or more such enti-*  
 6       *ties and a for-profit organization.*

7               “(2) *ELIGIBLE PARTNERSHIP.*—

8               “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The term ‘eligible part-*  
 9       *nership’ means—*

10              “(i) *1 or more community-based enti-*  
 11       *ties that have demonstrated records of suc-*  
 12       *cess in carrying out service-learning pro-*  
 13       *grams with economically disadvantaged stu-*  
 14       *dents, and that meet such criteria as the*  
 15       *Chief Executive Officer may establish; and*

16              “(ii)(I) *a local educational agency for*  
 17       *which—*

18              “(aa) *a high number or percent-*  
 19       *age, as determined by the Corporation,*  
 20       *of the students served by the agency are*  
 21       *economically disadvantaged students;*  
 22       *and*

23              “(bb) *the graduation rate for the*  
 24       *secondary school students served by the*  
 25       *agency is less than 70 percent; and*

1                   “(II)(aa) a State Commission or State  
2                   educational agency; and

3                   “(bb) more than 1 local educational  
4                   agency described in subclause (I).

5                   “(B) ADDITIONAL ENTITIES.—An eligible  
6                   partnership may also include—

7                   “(i) a local government agency that is  
8                   not described in subparagraph (A);

9                   “(ii) the office of the chief executive of-  
10                  ficer of a unit of general local government;  
11                  or

12                  “(iii) an institution of higher edu-  
13                  cation.

14                  “(3) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE.—The term  
15                  ‘youth engagement zone’ means the area in which a  
16                  youth engagement zone program is carried out.

17                  “(4) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE PROGRAM.—The  
18                  term ‘youth engagement zone program’ means a serv-  
19                  ice-learning program in which members of an eligible  
20                  partnership collaborate to provide coordinated school-  
21                  based or community-based service-learning opportuni-  
22                  ties—

23                  “(A) in order to address a specific commu-  
24                  nity challenge;

1                   “(B) for an increasing percentage of out-of-  
 2                   school youth and secondary school students  
 3                   served by a local educational agency; and

4                   “(C) in circumstances under which—

5                   “(i) not less than 90 percent of such  
 6                   students participate in service-learning ac-  
 7                   tivities as part of the program; or

8                   “(ii) service-learning is a mandatory  
 9                   part of the curriculum in all of the sec-  
 10                  ondary schools served by the local edu-  
 11                  cational agency.

12           “(b) *GENERAL AUTHORITY.*—From the amounts ap-  
 13           propriated to carry out this part for a fiscal year, the Cor-  
 14           poration may make grants (which may include approved  
 15           summer of service positions in the case of a grant for a  
 16           program described in subsection (c)(8)) and fixed-amount  
 17           grants (in accordance with section 129(l)) to eligible entities  
 18           or eligible partnerships, as appropriate, for programs and  
 19           activities described in subsection (c).

20           “(c) *AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.*—Funds under this  
 21           part may be used to—

22           “(1) integrate service-learning programs into the  
 23           science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (re-  
 24           ferred to in this part as ‘STEM’) curricula at the ele-  
 25           mentary, secondary, postsecondary, or post-



1        *baccalaureate levels in coordination with practicing*  
2        *or retired STEM professionals;*

3            “(2) *involve students in service-learning pro-*  
4        *grams focusing on energy conservation in their com-*  
5        *munity, including conducting educational outreach*  
6        *on energy conservation and working to improve en-*  
7        *ergy efficiency in low-income housing and in public*  
8        *spaces;*

9            “(3) *involve students in service-learning pro-*  
10       *grams in emergency and disaster preparedness;*

11           “(4) *involve students in service-learning pro-*  
12       *grams aimed at improving access to and obtaining*  
13       *the benefits from computers and other emerging tech-*  
14       *nologies, including improving such access for individ-*  
15       *uals with disabilities, in low-income or rural commu-*  
16       *nities, in senior centers and communities, in schools,*  
17       *in libraries, and in other public spaces;*

18           “(5) *involve high school age youth in the men-*  
19       *toring of middle school youth while involving all par-*  
20       *ticipants in service-learning to seek to meet unmet*  
21       *human, educational, environmental, public safety, or*  
22       *emergency and disaster preparedness needs in their*  
23       *community;*

24           “(6) *conduct research and evaluations on service-*  
25       *learning, including service-learning in middle schools,*

1       *and disseminate such research and evaluations wide-*  
 2       *ly;*

3               “(7) *conduct innovative and creative activities*  
 4       *as described in section 112(a);*

5               “(8) *establish or implement summer of service*  
 6       *programs (giving priority to programs that enroll*  
 7       *youth who will be enrolled in any of grades 6 through*  
 8       *9 at the end of the summer concerned) during the*  
 9       *summer months (including recruiting, training, and*  
 10       *placing service-learning coordinators)—*

11               “(A) *for youth who will be enrolled in any*  
 12       *of grades 6 through 12 at the end of the summer*  
 13       *concerned; and*

14               “(B) *for community-based service-learning*  
 15       *projects—*

16               “(i) *that shall—*

17                       “(I) *meet unmet human, edu-*  
 18       *cational, environmental (including en-*  
 19       *ergy conservation and stewardship),*  
 20       *and emergency and disaster prepared-*  
 21       *ness and other public safety needs; and*

22                       “(II) *be intensive, structured, su-*  
 23       *pervised, and designed to produce iden-*  
 24       *tifiable improvements to the commu-*  
 25       *nity;*

1                   “(ii) that may include the extension of  
2                   academic year service-learning programs  
3                   into the summer months; and

4                   “(iii) under which a student who com-  
5                   pletes 100 hours of service as described in  
6                   section 146(b)(2), shall be eligible for a  
7                   summer of service educational award of  
8                   \$500 as described in sections 146(a)(2)(C)  
9                   and 147(d);

10                  “(9) establish or implement youth engagement  
11                  zone programs in youth engagement zones, for stu-  
12                  dents in secondary schools served by local educational  
13                  agencies for which a majority of such students do not  
14                  participate in service-learning activities that are—

15                         “(A) carried out by eligible partnerships;

16                         and

17                         “(B) designed to—

18                                 “(i) involve all students in secondary  
19                                 schools served by the local educational agen-  
20                                 cy in service-learning to address a specific  
21                                 community challenge;

22                                 “(ii) improve student engagement, in-  
23                                 cluding student attendance and student be-  
24                                 havior, and student achievement, gradua-

tion rates, and college-going rates at secondary schools; and

“(iii) involve an increasing percentage of students in secondary school and out-of-school youth in the community in school-based or community-based service-learning activities each year, with the goal of involving all students in secondary schools served by the local educational agency and involving an increasing percentage of the out-of-school youth in service-learning activities; and

“(10) conduct semester of service programs that—

“(A) provide opportunities for secondary school students to participate in a semester of coordinated school-based or community-based service-learning opportunities for a minimum of 70 hours (of which at least a third will be spent participating in field-based activities) over a semester, to address specific community challenges;

“(B) engage as participants high percentages or numbers of economically disadvantaged students;

1           “(C) allow participants to receive academic  
 2           credit, for the time spent in the classroom and  
 3           in the field for the program, that is equivalent  
 4           to the academic credit for any class of equivalent  
 5           length and with an equivalent time commitment;  
 6           and

7           “(D) ensure that the classroom-based in-  
 8           struction component of the program is integrated  
 9           into the academic program of the local edu-  
 10          cational agency involved; and

11          “(11) carry out any other innovative service-  
 12          learning programs or research that the Corporation  
 13          considers appropriate.

14          “(d) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a grant  
 15          to carry out a program or activity under this part, an enti-  
 16          ty or partnership, as appropriate, shall prepare and submit  
 17          to the Corporation an application at such time and in such  
 18          manner as the Chief Executive Officer may reasonably re-  
 19          quire, and obtain approval of the application.

20          “(e) PRIORITY.—In making grants under this part, the  
 21          Corporation shall give priority to applicants proposing  
 22          to—

23               “(1) involve students and community stake-  
 24          holders in the design and implementation of service-

1     *learning programs carried out using funds received*  
 2     *under this part;*

3             “(2) *implement service-learning programs in*  
 4     *low-income or rural communities; and*

5             “(3) *utilize adult volunteers, including tapping*  
 6     *the resources of retired and retiring adults, in the*  
 7     *planning and implementation of service-learning pro-*  
 8     *grams.*

9     “(f) *REQUIREMENTS.—*

10            “(1) *TERM.—Each program or activity funded*  
 11     *under this part shall be carried out over a period of*  
 12     *3 years, which may include 1 planning year, with a*  
 13     *1-year extension possible, if the program meets per-*  
 14     *formance measures developed in accordance with sec-*  
 15     *tion 179(k) and any other criteria determined by the*  
 16     *Corporation.*

17            “(2) *COLLABORATION ENCOURAGED.—Each enti-*  
 18     *ty carrying out a program funded under this part*  
 19     *shall, to the extent practicable, collaborate with enti-*  
 20     *ties carrying out programs under this subtitle, sub-*  
 21     *title C, and titles I and II of the Domestic Volunteer*  
 22     *Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq., 5001 et*  
 23     *seq.).*

24            “(3) *EVALUATION.—Upon completion of the pro-*  
 25     *gram, the Corporation shall conduct an independent*

1      *evaluation of the program and determine best prac-*  
 2      *tices relating to service-learning and recommenda-*  
 3      *tions for improvement of the programs carried out*  
 4      *using funds made available under this part. The Cor-*  
 5      *poration shall widely disseminate the results of the*  
 6      *evaluations, and information on the best practices*  
 7      *and recommendations to the service community*  
 8      *through multiple channels, including the Corpora-*  
 9      *tion’s Resource Center or a clearinghouse of effective*  
 10     *strategies.”.*

11     **SEC. 1205. SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY.**

12      *Subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.), as*  
 13     *amended by section 1204, is further amended by adding at*  
 14     *the end the following:*

15      **“PART IV—SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY**

16     **“SEC. 120. STUDY AND REPORT.**

17      *“(a) STUDY.—*

18             *“(1) IN GENERAL.—From the sums reserved*  
 19     *under section 501(a)(1)(B) for this section, the Cor-*  
 20     *poration shall enter into a contract with an entity*  
 21     *that is not otherwise a recipient of financial assist-*  
 22     *ance under this subtitle, to conduct a 10-year longitu-*  
 23     *dinal study on the impact of the activities carried out*  
 24     *under this subtitle.*

1           “(2) *CONTENTS.*—*In conducting the study, the*  
 2           *entity shall consider the impact of service-learning ac-*  
 3           *tivities carried out under this subtitle on students*  
 4           *participating in such activities, including in par-*  
 5           *ticular examining the degree to which the activities—*

6                   “(A) *improved student academic achieve-*  
 7           *ment;*

8                   “(B) *improved student engagement;*

9                   “(C) *improved graduation rates, as defined*  
 10           *in section 1111(b)(2)(C)(vi) of the Elementary*  
 11           *and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*  
 12           *U.S.C. 6311(b)(2)(C)(vi)); and*

13                   “(D) *improved the degree to which the par-*  
 14           *ticipants in the activities engaged in subsequent*  
 15           *national service, volunteering, or other service*  
 16           *activities, or pursued careers in public service,*  
 17           *in the nonprofit sector or government.*

18           “(3) *ANALYSIS.*—*In carrying out such study, the*  
 19           *entity shall examine the impact of the service-learn-*  
 20           *ing activities on the 4 factors described in subpara-*  
 21           *graphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (2), analyzed in*  
 22           *terms of how much time participants were engaged in*  
 23           *service-learning activities.*



1           “(4) *BEST PRACTICES.*—*The entity shall collect*  
2           *information on best practices concerning using serv-*  
3           *ice-learning activities to improve the 4 factors.*

4           “(b) *INTERIM REPORTS.*—*The entity shall periodically*  
5           *submit reports to the Corporation containing the interim*  
6           *results of the study and the information on best practices.*  
7           *The Corporation shall submit such reports to the author-*  
8           *izing committees.*

9           “(c) *FINAL REPORT.*—*The entity shall submit a report*  
10           *to the Corporation containing the results of the study and*  
11           *the information on best practices. The Corporation shall*  
12           *submit such report to the authorizing committees, and shall*  
13           *make such report available to the public on the Corpora-*  
14           *tion’s website.*

15           “(d) *CONSULTATION AND DISSEMINATION.*—*On receiv-*  
16           *ing the report, the Corporation shall consult with the Sec-*  
17           *retary of Education to review the results of the study, and*  
18           *to identify best practices concerning using service-learning*  
19           *activities to improve the 4 factors described in subpara-*  
20           *graphs (A) through (D) of subsection (a)(2). The Corpora-*  
21           *tion shall disseminate information on the identified best*  
22           *practices.”.*

1 ***Subtitle C—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 2 ***C (National Service Trust Program)***

3 ***SEC. 1301. PROHIBITION ON GRANTS TO FEDERAL AGEN-***  
 4 ***CIES; LIMITS ON CORPORATION COSTS.***

5 *Section 121 (42 U.S.C. 12571) is amended—*

6 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

7 *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*  
 8 *by inserting after “subdivisions of States,” the*  
 9 *following: “territories,”; and*

10 *(B) in paragraphs (1) and (2), by striking*  
 11 *“section 122(a)” and inserting “subsection (a),*  
 12 *(b), or (c) of section 122”;*

13 *(2) in subsection (b)—*

14 *(A) in the heading, by striking “AGREE-*  
 15 *MENTS WITH FEDERAL AGENCIES” and insert-*  
 16 *ing “RESTRICTIONS ON AGREEMENTS WITH*  
 17 *FEDERAL AGENCIES”;*

18 *(B) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting*  
 19 *the following:*

20 *“(1) AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED.—The Corpora-*  
 21 *tion may enter into a contract or cooperative agree-*  
 22 *ment (other than a grant) with another Federal agen-*  
 23 *cy to support a national service program carried out*  
 24 *or otherwise supported by the agency. The Corpora-*  
 25 *tion, in entering into the contract or cooperative*

1       *agreement may approve positions as approved na-*  
 2       *tional service positions for a program carried out or*  
 3       *otherwise supported by the agency. The support pro-*  
 4       *vided by the Corporation pursuant to the contract or*  
 5       *cooperative agreement may include the transfer to the*  
 6       *Federal agency of funds available to the Corporation*  
 7       *under this subtitle E.”;*

8               *(C) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting*  
 9       *the following:*

10           “(2) *PROHIBITION ON GRANTS.*—*The Corpora-*  
 11       *tion may not provide a grant under this section to a*  
 12       *Federal agency.”; and*

13               *(D) in paragraph (3)—*

14               *(i) by striking “receiving assistance*  
 15               *under this subsection” and inserting “car-*  
 16               *rying out and or supporting a national*  
 17               *service program”; and*

18               *(ii) by striking “using such assistance”*  
 19               *and inserting “through that program”;*

20           *(3) in subsection (c)(2)(B), by striking “to be*  
 21       *provided” and inserting “to be provided or otherwise*  
 22       *approved”;*

23               *(4) in subsection (e)—*

24               *(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Federal*  
 25       *share of the cost” and inserting “Corporation*

1       *share of the cost (including the costs of member*  
 2       *living allowances, employment-related taxes,*  
 3       *health care coverage, and workers' compensation*  
 4       *and other necessary operation costs)"; and*

5               *(B) by adding at the end the following:*

6       “(5) *OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS.—*

7               “(A) *RECIPIENT REPORT.—A recipient of*  
 8       *assistance under this section shall report to the*  
 9       *Corporation the amount and source of any Fed-*  
 10       *eral funds used to carry out the program for*  
 11       *which the assistance is made available other*  
 12       *than those provided by the Corporation.*

13              “(B) *CORPORATION REPORT.—The Corpora-*  
 14       *tion shall report to the authorizing committees*  
 15       *on an annual basis information regarding each*  
 16       *recipient of such assistance that uses Federal*  
 17       *funds other than those provided by the Corpora-*  
 18       *tion to carry out such a program, including the*  
 19       *amounts and sources of the other Federal*  
 20       *funds.”; and*

21              *(5) by adding at the end the following:*

22       “(f) *PLAN FOR APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE POSI-*  
 23       *TIONS.—The Corporation shall—*

24              “(1) *develop a plan to—*

1           “(A) establish the number of the approved  
2           national service positions as 88,000 for fiscal  
3           year 2010; and

4           “(B) increase the number of the approved  
5           positions to—

6                   “(i) 115,000 for fiscal year 2011;

7                   “(ii) 140,000 for fiscal year 2012;

8                   “(iii) 170,000 for fiscal year 2013;

9                   “(iv) 200,000 for fiscal year 2014;

10                  “(v) 210,000 for fiscal year 2015;

11                  “(vi) 235,000 for fiscal year 2016; and

12                  “(vii) 250,000 for fiscal year 2017;

13           “(2) not later than 1 year after the date of enact-  
14           ment of the Serve America Act, submit a report to the  
15           authorizing committees on the status of the plan de-  
16           scribed in paragraph (1); and

17           “(3) subject to the availability of appropriations  
18           and in a manner that does not decrease the quality  
19           of proposed service opportunities, implement the plan  
20           described in paragraph (1).”.

21   **SEC. 1302. ELIGIBLE NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS.**

22           Section 122 is amended to read as follows:

1 **“SEC. 122. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS ELIGIBLE FOR**  
 2 **PROGRAM ASSISTANCE.**

3 “(a) *NATIONAL SERVICE CORPS.*—*The recipient of a*  
 4 *grant under section 121(a) and a Federal agency operating*  
 5 *or supporting a national service program under section*  
 6 *121(b) shall use a portion of the assistance involved, di-*  
 7 *rectly or through subgrants to other entities, to support or*  
 8 *carry out the following national service corps or programs,*  
 9 *as full- or part-time corps or programs, to address unmet*  
 10 *needs:*

11 “(1) *EDUCATION CORPS.*—

12 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The recipient may*  
 13 *carry out national service programs through an*  
 14 *Education Corps that identifies and meets unmet*  
 15 *educational needs within communities through*  
 16 *activities such as those described in subpara-*  
 17 *graph (B) and improves performance on the in-*  
 18 *dicators described in subparagraph (C).*

19 “(B) *ACTIVITIES.*—*An Education Corps de-*  
 20 *scribed in this paragraph may carry out activi-*  
 21 *ties such as—*

22 “(i) *tutoring, or providing other aca-*  
 23 *demic support to elementary school and sec-*  
 24 *ondary school students;*

25 “(ii) *improving school climate;*

1           “(iii) mentoring students, including  
2           adult or peer mentoring;

3           “(iv) linking needed integrated services  
4           and comprehensive supports with students,  
5           their families, and their public schools;

6           “(v) providing assistance to a school in  
7           expanding the school day by strengthening  
8           the quality of staff and expanding the aca-  
9           demic programming offered in an expanded  
10          learning time initiative, a program of a  
11          21st century community learning center (as  
12          defined in section 4201 of the Elementary  
13          and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20  
14          U.S.C. 7171)), or a high-quality after-school  
15          program;

16          “(vi) assisting schools and local edu-  
17          cational agencies in improving and expand-  
18          ing high-quality service-learning programs  
19          that keep students engaged in schools by  
20          carrying out programs that provide special-  
21          ized training to individuals in service-  
22          learning, and places the individuals (after  
23          such training) in positions as service-learn-  
24          ing coordinators, to facilitate service-learn-

ing in programs eligible for funding under  
part I of subtitle B;

“(vii) assisting students in being pre-  
pared for college-level work;

“(viii) involving family members of  
students in supporting teachers and stu-  
dents;

“(ix) conducting a preprofessional  
training program in which students en-  
rolled in an institution of higher edu-  
cation—

“(I) receive training (which may  
include classes containing service-  
learning) in specified fields including  
early childhood education and care, el-  
ementary and secondary education,  
and other fields such as fields relating  
to health services, criminal justice, en-  
vironmental stewardship and conserva-  
tion, or public safety;

“(II) perform service related to  
such training outside the classroom  
during the school term and during  
summer or other vacation periods; and



1                   “(III) agree to provide service  
 2                   upon graduation to meet unmet  
 3                   human, educational, environmental, or  
 4                   public safety needs related to such  
 5                   training; or

6                   “(x) providing other activities, address-  
 7                   ing unmet educational needs, that the Cor-  
 8                   poration may designate.

9                   “(C) EDUCATION CORPS INDICATORS.—The  
 10                  corps indicators for a corps program described  
 11                  in this paragraph are—

12                  “(i) student engagement, including stu-  
 13                  dent attendance and student behavior;

14                  “(ii) student academic achievement;

15                  “(iii) secondary school graduation  
 16                  rates as defined in section 1111(b)(2)(C)(vi)  
 17                  of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-  
 18                  cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.  
 19                  6311(b)(2)(C)(vi));

20                  “(iv) rate of college enrollment and  
 21                  continued college enrollment for recipients  
 22                  of a high school diploma;

23                  “(v) any additional indicator relating  
 24                  to improving education for students that the  
 25                  Corporation, in consultation (as appro-

1            *priate) with the Secretary of Education, es-*  
 2            *tablishes; or*

3            *“(vi) any additional local indicator*  
 4            *(applicable to a particular recipient and on*  
 5            *which an improvement in performance is*  
 6            *needed) relating to improving education for*  
 7            *students, that is approved by the Corpora-*  
 8            *tion or a State Commission.*

9            *“(2) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.—*

10            *“(A) IN GENERAL.—The recipient may*  
 11            *carry out national service programs through a*  
 12            *Healthy Futures Corps that identifies and meets*  
 13            *unmet health needs within communities through*  
 14            *activities such as those described in subpara-*  
 15            *graph (B) and improves performance on the in-*  
 16            *dicators described in subparagraph (C).*

17            *“(B) ACTIVITIES.—A Healthy Futures*  
 18            *Corps described in this paragraph may carry*  
 19            *out activities such as—*

20            *“(i) assisting economically disadvan-*  
 21            *tagged individuals in navigating the health*  
 22            *services system;*

23            *“(ii) assisting individuals in obtaining*  
 24            *access to health services for themselves or*  
 25            *their children;*

1           “(iii) educating economically dis-  
 2           advantaged individuals and individuals  
 3           who are members of medically underserved  
 4           populations about, and engaging individ-  
 5           uals described in this clause in, initiatives  
 6           regarding navigating the health services sys-  
 7           tem and regarding disease prevention and  
 8           health promotion, with a particular focus  
 9           on common health conditions, chronic dis-  
 10          eases, and conditions, for which disease pre-  
 11          vention and health promotion measures  
 12          exist and for which socioeconomic, geo-  
 13          graphic, and racial and ethnic health dis-  
 14          parities exist;

15           “(iv) improving health literacy of pa-  
 16          tients;

17           “(v) providing translation services at  
 18          clinics and in emergency rooms to improve  
 19          health services;

20           “(vi) providing services designed to  
 21          meet the health needs of rural communities,  
 22          including the recruitment of youth to work  
 23          in health professions in such communities;

24           “(vii) assisting in health promotion  
 25          interventions that improve health status,

1           *and helping people adopt and maintain*  
 2           *healthy lifestyles and habits to improve*  
 3           *health status; or*

4           “(viii) *providing activities, addressing*  
 5           *unmet health needs, that the Corporation*  
 6           *may designate.*

7           “(C) *HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS INDICA-*  
 8           *TORS.—The corps indicators for a corps program*  
 9           *described in this paragraph are—*

10           “(i) *access to health services among*  
 11           *economically disadvantaged individuals and*  
 12           *individuals who are members of medically*  
 13           *underserved populations;*

14           “(ii) *access to health services for unin-*  
 15           *insured individuals, including such individ-*  
 16           *uals who are economically disadvantaged*  
 17           *children;*

18           “(iii) *participation, among economi-*  
 19           *cally disadvantaged individuals and indi-*  
 20           *viduals who are members of medically un-*  
 21           *derserved populations, in disease prevention*  
 22           *and health promotion initiatives, particu-*  
 23           *larly those with a focus on addressing com-*  
 24           *mon health conditions, addressing chronic*  
 25           *diseases, and decreasing health disparities;*

1 “(iv) *health literacy of patients;*

2 “(v) *any additional indicator, relating*  
 3 *to improving or protecting the health of eco-*  
 4 *nomically disadvantaged individuals and*  
 5 *individuals who are members of medically*  
 6 *underserved populations, that the Corpora-*  
 7 *tion, in consultation (as appropriate) with*  
 8 *the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-*  
 9 *ices and the Director of the Centers for Dis-*  
 10 *ease Control and Prevention, establishes; or*

11 “(vi) *any additional local indicator*  
 12 *(applicable to a particular recipient and on*  
 13 *which an improvement in performance is*  
 14 *needed) relating to improving or protecting*  
 15 *the health of economically disadvantaged in-*  
 16 *dividuals and individuals who are members*  
 17 *of medically underserved populations, that*  
 18 *is approved by the Corporation or a State*  
 19 *Commission.*

20 “(3) *CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS.—*

21 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The recipient may*  
 22 *carry out national service projects through a*  
 23 *Clean Energy Service Corps that identifies and*  
 24 *meets unmet environmental needs within com-*  
 25 *munities through activities such as those de-*

1        *scribed in subparagraph (B) and improves per-*  
2        *formance on the indicators described in subpara-*  
3        *graph (C).*

4                *“(B) ACTIVITIES.—A Clean Energy Service*  
5        *Corps described in this paragraph may carry*  
6        *out activities such as—*

7                *“(i) weatherizing and retrofitting hous-*  
8        *ing units for low-income households to sig-*  
9        *nificantly improve the energy efficiency and*  
10       *reduce carbon emissions of such housing*  
11       *units;*

12               *“(ii) building energy-efficient housing*  
13       *units in low-income communities;*

14               *“(iii) conducting energy audits for*  
15       *low-income households and recommending*  
16       *ways for the households to improve energy*  
17       *efficiency;*

18               *“(iv) the enhancement of renewable en-*  
19       *ergy production by facilitating the installa-*  
20       *tion or repair of renewable energy tech-*  
21       *nologies;*

22               *“(v) working with schools and youth*  
23       *programs to educate students and youth*  
24       *about ways to reduce home energy use and*  
25       *improve the environment, including con-*

ducting service-learning projects to provide  
such education;

“(vi) assisting in the development of  
local recycling programs;

“(vii) renewing and rehabilitating na-  
tional and State parks, city parks, county  
parks, forest preserves, and trails owned or  
maintained by the Federal Government or a  
State, including planting trees, carrying  
out reforestation, carrying out erosion con-  
trol measures, rehabilitation and mainte-  
nance of historic sites and structures  
throughout the national park system, and  
providing trail enhancements, rehabilita-  
tion, and repairs;

“(viii) cleaning and improving rivers  
maintained by the Federal Government or a  
State;

“(ix) carrying out projects in partner-  
ship with the National Park Service, de-  
signed to renew and rehabilitate national  
park resources and enhance services and  
learning opportunities for national park  
visitors, and nearby communities and  
schools; or

1                   “(x) carrying out other activities, ad-  
 2                   dressing unmet environmental and work-  
 3                   force needs, that the Corporation may des-  
 4                   ignate.

5                   “(C) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS INDICATORS.—The corps indicators for a corps pro-  
 6                   gram described in this paragraph are—

8                   “(i) the number of housing units of  
 9                   low-income households weatherized or retro-  
 10                  fitted to significantly improve energy effi-  
 11                  ciency and reduce carbon emissions;

12                  “(ii) annual energy costs (to determine  
 13                  savings in those costs) at facilities where  
 14                  participants have provided service;

15                  “(iii) the number of students and  
 16                  youth receiving education or training in en-  
 17                  ergy-efficient and environmentally conscious  
 18                  practices;

19                  “(iv) the number of national parks,  
 20                  State parks, city parks, county parks, forest  
 21                  preserves, or trails or rivers owned or main-  
 22                  tained by the Federal Government or a  
 23                  State, that are cleaned or improved;

24                  “(v) any additional indicator relating  
 25                  to clean energy, the reduction of greenhouse



1           *gas emissions, or education and skill attain-*  
 2           *ment for clean energy jobs, that the Cor-*  
 3           *poration, in consultation (as appropriate)*  
 4           *with the Administrator of the Environ-*  
 5           *mental Protection Agency, the Secretary of*  
 6           *Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, or the*  
 7           *Secretary of Labor, as appropriate, estab-*  
 8           *lishes; or*

9           “(vi) *any additional local indicator*  
 10          *(applicable to a particular recipient and on*  
 11          *which an improvement in performance is*  
 12          *needed) relating to clean energy, the reduc-*  
 13          *tion of greenhouse gas emissions, or edu-*  
 14          *cation or skill attainment for clean energy*  
 15          *jobs, that is approved by the Corporation or*  
 16          *a State Commission.*

17          “(4) *VETERANS CORPS.—*

18          “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The recipient may*  
 19          *carry out national service programs through a*  
 20          *Veterans Corps that identifies and meets unmet*  
 21          *needs of veterans and members of the Armed*  
 22          *Forces who are on active duty through activities*  
 23          *such as those described in subparagraph (B) and*  
 24          *improves performance on the indicators described*  
 25          *in subparagraph (C).*

1           “(B) *ACTIVITIES.*—A Veterans Corps de-  
2           scribed in this paragraph may carry out activi-  
3           ties such as—

4                   “(i) *promoting community-based ef-*  
5                   *forts to meet the unique needs of military*  
6                   *families while a family member is deployed*  
7                   *and upon that family member’s return*  
8                   *home;*

9                   “(ii) *recruiting veterans, particularly*  
10                  *returning veterans, into service opportuni-*  
11                  *ties, including opportunities that utilize*  
12                  *their military experience;*

13                  “(iii) *working to assist veterans in de-*  
14                  *veloping their educational opportunities, in-*  
15                  *cluding opportunities for professional cer-*  
16                  *tification, licensure, and credentialing, in-*  
17                  *cluding coordinating activities with and as-*  
18                  *sisting State and local agencies admin-*  
19                  *istering veterans education benefits, and*  
20                  *veterans programs with internships and fel-*  
21                  *lowships that could lead to employment in*  
22                  *the private and public sector;*

23                  “(iv) *promoting efforts within a com-*  
24                  *munity to serve the needs of veterans and*  
25                  *members of the Armed Forces who are on*

1           *active duty, including helping veterans file*  
2           *benefits claims and assisting Federal agen-*  
3           *cies in providing services to veterans;*

4           “(v) *assisting veterans in developing*  
5           *mentoring relationships with economically*  
6           *disadvantaged students;*

7           “(vi) *developing projects to assist vet-*  
8           *erans with disabilities and older veterans*  
9           *including assisting veterans described in*  
10          *this clause with transportation; or*

11          “(vii) *other activities, addressing*  
12          *unmet needs of veterans, that the Corpora-*  
13          *tion may designate.*

14          “(C) *VETERANS’ CORPS INDICATORS.—The*  
15          *corps indicators for a corps program described*  
16          *in this paragraph are—*

17               “(i) *the number of housing units cre-*  
18               *ated for veterans;*

19               “(ii) *the number of veterans who pur-*  
20               *sue educational opportunities;*

21               “(iii) *the number of veterans receiving*  
22               *professional certification;*

23               “(iv) *the number of outreach efforts to*  
24               *service organizations serving the needs of*  
25               *veterans;*

1                   “(v) the number of veterans engaged in  
2                   service opportunities;

3                   “(vi) the number of military families  
4                   assisted by organizations while a family  
5                   member is deployed and upon that family  
6                   member’s return home;

7                   “(vii) the number of economically dis-  
8                   advantaged students engaged in mentoring  
9                   relationships with veterans;

10                  “(viii) the number of projects designed  
11                  to meet identifiable public needs with a spe-  
12                  cific emphasis on projects in support of vet-  
13                  erans, especially veterans with disabilities  
14                  and older veterans;

15                  “(ix) any additional indicator that re-  
16                  lates to education or skill attainment that  
17                  assists in providing veterans with the skills  
18                  to address identifiable public needs, or that  
19                  relates to improving the lives of veterans  
20                  and members of the Armed Forces on active  
21                  duty, and that the Corporation, in consulta-  
22                  tion (as appropriate) with the Secretary of  
23                  Veterans Affairs, establishes; or

24                  “(x) any additional local indicator  
25                  (applicable to a particular recipient and on

1           *which an improvement in performance is*  
 2           *needed) relating to the education or skill at-*  
 3           *tainment, or the improvement, described in*  
 4           *clause (ix), that is approved by the Cor-*  
 5           *poration or a State Commission.*

6           “(5) *OPPORTUNITY CORPS.*—

7           “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The recipient may*  
 8           *carry out national service programs through an*  
 9           *Opportunity Corps that identifies and meets*  
 10           *unmet needs relating to economic opportunity*  
 11           *for economically disadvantaged individuals with-*  
 12           *in communities, through activities such as those*  
 13           *described in subparagraph (B) and improves*  
 14           *performance on the indicators described in sub-*  
 15           *paragraph (C).*

16           “(B) *ACTIVITIES.*—*An Opportunity Corps*  
 17           *described in this paragraph may carry out ac-*  
 18           *tivities such as—*

19           “(i) *providing financial literacy edu-*  
 20           *cation to economically disadvantaged indi-*  
 21           *viduals, including financial literacy edu-*  
 22           *cation with regard to credit management,*  
 23           *financial institutions including banks and*  
 24           *credit unions, and utilization of savings*  
 25           *plans;*

1           “(ii) assisting in the construction and  
2           rehabilitation of housing units, including  
3           energy efficient homes, for economically dis-  
4           advantaged individuals;

5           “(iii) assisting economically disadvan-  
6           taged individuals, including homeless indi-  
7           viduals, in finding placement in safe and  
8           secure housing;

9           “(iv) assisting individuals in obtain-  
10          ing access to health services for themselves  
11          or their children;

12          “(v) assisting individuals in obtaining  
13          information about Federal, State, local, or  
14          private programs or benefits focused on as-  
15          sisting economically disadvantaged individ-  
16          uals, economically disadvantaged children,  
17          or low-income families;

18          “(vi) facilitating enrollment in and  
19          completion of job training for economically  
20          disadvantaged individuals;

21          “(vii) assisting economically disadvan-  
22          taged individuals in obtaining access to job  
23          placement assistance;

24          “(viii) carrying out a program that  
25          seeks to eliminate hunger in communities

1           *and rural areas through service in*  
2           *projects—*

3                     “(I) involving food banks, food  
4                     pantries, and nonprofit organizations  
5                     that provide food during emergencies;

6                     “(II) seeking to address the long-  
7                     term causes of hunger through edu-  
8                     cation and the delivery of appropriate  
9                     services; or

10                    “(III) providing training in basic  
11                    health, nutrition, and life skills nec-  
12                    essary to alleviate hunger in commu-  
13                    nities and rural areas; and

14                    “(ix) implementing an E-Corps pro-  
15                    gram that involves participants who pro-  
16                    vide services in a community by developing  
17                    and assisting in carrying out technology  
18                    programs that seek to increase access to  
19                    technology and the benefits of technology in  
20                    such community.

21                    “(C) OPPORTUNITY CORPS INDICATORS.—

22           *The corps indicators for a corps program de-*  
23           *scribed in this paragraph are—*

1           “(i) the degree of financial literacy  
2 among economically disadvantaged individ-  
3 uals;

4           “(ii) the number of housing units built  
5 or improved for economically disadvantaged  
6 individuals or low-income families;

7           “(iii) the number of economically dis-  
8 advantaged individuals with access to job  
9 training and other skill enhancement;

10          “(iv) the number of economically dis-  
11 advantaged individuals with access to infor-  
12 mation about job placement services;

13          “(v) any additional indicator relating  
14 to improving economic opportunity for eco-  
15 nomically disadvantaged individuals that  
16 the Corporation, in consultation (as appro-  
17 priate) with the Secretary of Health and  
18 Human Services, the Secretary of Labor,  
19 the Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel-  
20 opment, and the Secretary of the Treasury,  
21 establishes; or

22          “(vi) any additional local indicator  
23 (applicable to a particular recipient and on  
24 which an improvement in performance is



1                   *needed) that is approved by the Corporation*  
 2                   *or a State Commission.*

3           “(b) *NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS.—*

4                   “(1) *IN GENERAL.—The recipient of a grant*  
 5                   *under section 121(a) and a Federal agency operating*  
 6                   *or supporting a national service program under sec-*  
 7                   *tion 121(b) may use the assistance involved, directly*  
 8                   *or through subgrants to other entities, to carry out*  
 9                   *national service programs and model programs under*  
 10                   *this subsection that are focused on meeting commu-*  
 11                   *nity needs and improve performance on the indicators*  
 12                   *described in paragraph (3).*

13                   “(2) *PROGRAMS.—The programs may include*  
 14                   *the following types of national service programs:*

15                   “(A) *A community service program de-*  
 16                   *signed to meet the needs of rural communities,*  
 17                   *using teams or individual placements to address*  
 18                   *the development needs of rural communities, in-*  
 19                   *cluding addressing rural poverty, or the need for*  
 20                   *health services, education, or job training.*

21                   “(B) *A program—*

22                   “(i) *that engages participants in pub-*  
 23                   *lic health, emergency and disaster prepared-*  
 24                   *ness, and other public safety activities;*

1           “(ii) that may include the recruitment  
2           of qualified participants for, and placement  
3           of the participants in, positions to be train-  
4           ees as law enforcement officers, firefighters,  
5           search and rescue personnel, and emergency  
6           medical service workers; and

7           “(iii) that may engage Federal, State,  
8           and local stakeholders, in collaboration, to  
9           organize more effective responses to issues of  
10          public health, emergencies and disasters,  
11          and other public safety issues.

12          “(C) A program, initiative, or partnership  
13          project that seeks to expand the number of men-  
14          tors for disadvantaged youths and other youths  
15          (including by recruiting high school-, and col-  
16          lege-age individuals to enter into mentoring rela-  
17          tionships), either through provision of direct  
18          mentoring services, provision of supportive serv-  
19          ices to direct mentoring service organizations (in  
20          the case of a partnership), or through the cre-  
21          ative utilization of current and emerging tech-  
22          nologies to connect youth with mentors. Such a  
23          program, initiative, or project shall promote  
24          quality standards for mentoring programs, ex-  
25          pand mentoring opportunities tailored to the

1       *needs and circumstances of youth, increase the*  
2       *number of at-risk youth in the State receiving*  
3       *mentoring from screened and trained adult men-*  
4       *tors, and support statewide mentoring partner-*  
5       *ships in applicable cases.*

6               “(D) A program—

7                       “(i) *in which not less than 75 percent*  
8                       *of the participants are disadvantaged*  
9                       *youth;*

10                      “(ii) *that may provide life skills train-*  
11                      *ing, employment training, educational*  
12                      *counseling, assistance to complete a sec-*  
13                      *ondary school diploma or its recognized*  
14                      *equivalent, counseling, or a mentoring rela-*  
15                      *tionship with an adult volunteer; and*

16                      “(iii) *for which, in awarding financial*  
17                      *assistance and approved national service*  
18                      *positions, the Corporation shall give pri-*  
19                      *ority to programs that engage retirees to*  
20                      *serve as mentors.*

21               “(E) A program—

22                       “(i) *that reengages court-involved*  
23                       *youth and adults with the goal of reducing*  
24                       *recidivism;*

1           “(ii) that may create support systems  
2           beginning in correctional facilities; and

3           “(iii) that may have life skills train-  
4           ing, employment training, an education  
5           program (including a program to complete  
6           a secondary school diploma or its recognized  
7           equivalent), educational and career coun-  
8           seling, and postprogram placement services.

9           “(F) A demonstration program—

10           “(i) that has as 1 of its primary pur-  
11           poses the recruitment and acceptance of  
12           court-involved youth and adults as partici-  
13           pants, volunteers, or members; and

14           “(ii) that may serve any purpose oth-  
15           erwise permitted under this Act.

16           “(G) A program that provides education or  
17           job training services that are designed to meet  
18           the needs of rural communities.

19           “(H) Such other national service programs  
20           addressing unmet human, educational, environ-  
21           mental, or public safety needs as the Corporation  
22           may designate.

23           “(3) INDICATORS.—The indicators for a program  
24           described in this subsection are the indicators de-  
25           scribed in subparagraph (C) of paragraphs (1), (2),

1       (3), (4), or (5) of subsection (a) or any additional  
 2       local indicator (applicable to a participant or recipi-  
 3       ent and on which an improvement in performance is  
 4       needed) relating to meeting unmet community needs,  
 5       that is approved by the Corporation or a State Com-  
 6       mission.

7       “(c) *PROGRAM MODELS FOR SERVICE CORPS.*—In ad-  
 8       dition to any activities described in subparagraph (B) of  
 9       paragraphs (1) through (5) of subsection (a), and subsection  
 10      (b)(2), a recipient of a grant under section 121(a) and a  
 11      Federal agency operating or supporting a national service  
 12      program under section 121(b) may directly or through  
 13      grants or subgrants to other entities carry out a national  
 14      service corps program through the following program mod-  
 15      els:

16           “(1) *A community corps program that meets*  
 17           *unmet health, veteran, and other human, educational,*  
 18           *environmental, or public safety needs and promotes*  
 19           *greater community unity through the use of organized*  
 20           *teams of participants of varied social and economic*  
 21           *backgrounds, skill levels, physical and developmental*  
 22           *capabilities, ages, ethnic backgrounds, or genders.*

23           “(2) *A service program that—*

24                   “(A) *recruits individuals with special skills*  
 25                   *or provides specialized preservice training to en-*

1        *able participants to be placed individually or in*  
2        *teams in positions in which the participants can*  
3        *meet such unmet needs; and*

4                *“(B) if consistent with the purposes of the*  
5        *program, brings participants together for addi-*  
6        *tional training and other activities designed to*  
7        *foster civic responsibility, increase the skills of*  
8        *participants, and improve the quality of the*  
9        *service provided.*

10               *“(3) A campus-based program that is designed to*  
11        *provide substantial service in a community during*  
12        *the school term and during summer or other vacation*  
13        *periods through the use of—*

14                *“(A) students who are attending an institu-*  
15        *tion of higher education, including students par-*  
16        *ticipating in a work-study program assisted*  
17        *under part C of title IV of the Higher Education*  
18        *Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.);*

19                *“(B) teams composed of students described*  
20        *in subparagraph (A); or*

21                *“(C) teams composed of a combination of*  
22        *such students and community residents.*

23                *“(4) A professional corps program that recruits*  
24        *and places qualified participants in positions—*

1           “(A) as teachers, nurses and other health  
 2           care providers, police officers, early childhood de-  
 3           velopment staff, engineers, or other professionals  
 4           providing service to meet human, educational,  
 5           environmental, or public safety needs in commu-  
 6           nities with an inadequate number of such profes-  
 7           sionals;

8           “(B) for which the salary may exceed the  
 9           maximum living allowance authorized in sub-  
 10          section (a)(2) of section 140, as provided in sub-  
 11          section (c) of such section; and

12          “(C) that are sponsored by public or private  
 13          employers who agree to pay 100 percent of the  
 14          salaries and benefits (other than any national  
 15          service educational award under subtitle D) of  
 16          the participants.

17          “(5) Such other program models as may be ap-  
 18          proved by the Corporation or a State Commission, as  
 19          appropriate.

20          “(d) PRIORITIES FOR CERTAIN CORPS.—In awarding  
 21          financial assistance and approved national service posi-  
 22          tions to eligible entities proposed to carry out the corps de-  
 23          scribed in subsection (a)—

24                 “(1) in the case of a corps described in sub-  
 25          section (a)(2)—

1           “(A) the Corporation may give priority to  
2           eligible entities that propose to develop policies to  
3           provide, and provide, support for participants  
4           who, after completing service under this section,  
5           will undertake careers to improve performance  
6           on health indicators described in subsection  
7           (a)(2)(C); and

8           “(B) the Corporation shall give priority to  
9           eligible entities that propose to carry out na-  
10          tional service programs in medically underserved  
11          areas (as designated individually, by the Sec-  
12          retary of Health and Human Services as an  
13          area with a shortage of personal health services);  
14          and

15          “(2) in the case of a corps described in sub-  
16          section (a)(3), the Corporation shall give priority to  
17          eligible entities that propose to recruit individuals for  
18          the Clean Energy Service Corps so that significant  
19          percentages of participants in the Corps are economi-  
20          cally disadvantaged individuals, and provide to such  
21          individuals support services and education and train-  
22          ing to develop skills needed for clean energy jobs for  
23          which there is current demand or projected future de-  
24          mand.



1       “(e) *CONSULTATION ON INDICATORS.*—*The Corpora-*  
 2       *tion shall consult with the Secretary of Education, the Sec-*  
 3       *retary of Health and Human Services, the Director of the*  
 4       *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Secretary*  
 5       *of Energy, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Secretary*  
 6       *of the Interior, the Administrator of the Environmental*  
 7       *Protection Agency, the Secretary of Labor, the Secretary of*  
 8       *Housing and Urban Development, and the Secretary of the*  
 9       *Treasury, as appropriate, in developing additional indica-*  
 10       *tors for the corps and programs described in subsections (a)*  
 11       *and (b).*

12       “(f) *QUALIFICATION CRITERIA TO DETERMINE ELIGI-*  
 13       *BILITY.*—

14               “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT BY CORPORATION.*—*The*  
 15       *Corporation shall establish qualification criteria for*  
 16       *different types of national service programs for the*  
 17       *purpose of determining whether a particular national*  
 18       *service program should be considered to be a national*  
 19       *service program eligible to receive assistance or ap-*  
 20       *proved national service positions under this subtitle.*

21               “(2) *CONSULTATION.*—*In establishing qualifica-*  
 22       *tion criteria under paragraph (1), the Corporation*  
 23       *shall consult with organizations and individuals with*  
 24       *extensive experience in developing and administering*  
 25       *effective national service programs or regarding the*

1     *delivery of veteran services, and other human, edu-*  
 2     *cational, environmental, or public safety services, to*  
 3     *communities or persons.*

4             “(3) *APPLICATION TO SUBGRANTS.*—*The quali-*  
 5     *fication criteria established by the Corporation under*  
 6     *paragraph (1) shall also be used by each recipient of*  
 7     *assistance under section 121(a) that uses any portion*  
 8     *of the assistance to conduct a grant program to sup-*  
 9     *port other national service programs.*

10            “(4) *ENCOURAGEMENT OF INTERGENERATIONAL*  
 11     *COMPONENTS OF PROGRAMS.*—*The Corporation shall*  
 12     *encourage national service programs eligible to receive*  
 13     *assistance or approved national service positions*  
 14     *under this subtitle to establish, if consistent with the*  
 15     *purposes of the program, an intergenerational compo-*  
 16     *nent of the program that combines students, out-of-*  
 17     *school youths, disadvantaged youth, and older adults*  
 18     *as participants to provide services to address unmet*  
 19     *human, educational, environmental, or public safety*  
 20     *needs.*

21            “(g) *NATIONAL SERVICE PRIORITIES.*—

22               “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—

23                   “(A) *BY CORPORATION.*—*In order to con-*  
 24     *centrate national efforts on meeting human, edu-*  
 25     *cational, environmental, or public safety needs*

1       *and to achieve the other purposes of this Act, the*  
 2       *Corporation, after reviewing the strategic plan*  
 3       *approved under section 192A(g)(1), shall estab-*  
 4       *lish, and may periodically alter, priorities re-*  
 5       *garding the types of national service programs*  
 6       *and corps to be assisted under section 129 and*  
 7       *the purposes for which such assistance may be*  
 8       *used.*

9               “(B) *BY STATES.*—*Consistent with para-*  
 10       *graph (4), States shall establish, and through the*  
 11       *national service plan process described in section*  
 12       *178(e)(1), periodically alter priorities as appro-*  
 13       *priate regarding the national service programs*  
 14       *to be assisted under section 129(e). The State*  
 15       *priorities shall be subject to Corporation review*  
 16       *as part of the application process under section*  
 17       *130.*

18               “(2) *NOTICE TO APPLICANTS.*—*The Corporation*  
 19       *shall provide advance notice to potential applicants of*  
 20       *any national service priorities to be in effect under*  
 21       *this subsection for a fiscal year. The notice shall spe-*  
 22       *cifically include—*

23               “(A) *a description of any alteration made*  
 24       *in the priorities since the previous notice; and*

1           “(B) a description of the national service  
 2           programs that are designated by the Corporation  
 3           under section 133(d)(2) as eligible for priority  
 4           consideration in the next competitive distribu-  
 5           tion of assistance under section 121(a).

6           “(3) REGULATIONS.—The Corporation shall by  
 7           regulation establish procedures to ensure the equitable  
 8           treatment of national service programs that—

9           “(A) receive funding under this subtitle for  
 10          multiple years; and

11          “(B) would be adversely affected by annual  
 12          revisions in such national service priorities.

13          “(4) APPLICATION TO SUBGRANTS.—Any na-  
 14          tional service priorities established by the Corporation  
 15          under this subsection shall also be used by each re-  
 16          cipient of funds under section 121(a) that uses any  
 17          portion of the assistance to conduct a grant program  
 18          to support other national service programs.

19          “(h) REQUIREMENTS FOR TUTORS.—

20          “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
 21          graph (2), the Corporation shall require that each re-  
 22          cipient of assistance under the national service laws  
 23          that operates a tutoring program involving elemen-  
 24          tary school or secondary school students certifies that

1       *individuals serving in approved national service posi-*  
 2       *tions as tutors in such program have—*

3               “(A) *obtained their high school diplomas;*  
 4               *and*

5               “(B) *successfully completed pre- and in-*  
 6               *service training for tutors.*

7               “(2) *EXCEPTION.—The requirements in para-*  
 8       *graph (1) do not apply to an individual serving in*  
 9       *an approved national service position who is enrolled*  
 10       *in an elementary school or secondary school and is*  
 11       *providing tutoring services through a structured,*  
 12       *school-managed cross-grade tutoring program.*

13              “(i) *REQUIREMENTS FOR TUTORING PROGRAMS.—*  
 14       *Each tutoring program that receives assistance under the*  
 15       *national service laws shall—*

16               “(1) *offer a curriculum that is high quality, re-*  
 17       *search-based, and consistent with the State academic*  
 18       *content standards required by section 1111 of the Ele-*  
 19       *mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*  
 20       *U.S.C. 6311) and the instructional program of the*  
 21       *local educational agency; and*

22               “(2) *offer high quality, research-based pre- and*  
 23       *in-service training for tutors.*

24              “(j) *CITIZENSHIP TRAINING.—The Corporation shall*  
 25       *establish guidelines for recipients of assistance under the*

1 *national service laws, that are consistent with the principles*  
 2 *on which citizenship programs administered by U.S. Citi-*  
 3 *zenship and Immigration Services are based, relating to the*  
 4 *promotion of citizenship and civic engagement among par-*  
 5 *ticipants in approved national service positions and ap-*  
 6 *proved summer of service positions, and appropriate to the*  
 7 *age, education, and experience of the participants.*

8 “(k) *REPORT.*—Not later than 60 days after the end  
 9 of each fiscal year for which the Corporation makes grants  
 10 under section 121(a), the Corporation shall prepare and  
 11 submit to the authorizing committees a report containing—

12 “(1) *information describing how the Corporation*  
 13 *allocated financial assistance and approved national*  
 14 *service positions among eligible entities proposed to*  
 15 *carry out corps and national service programs de-*  
 16 *scribed in this section for that fiscal year;*

17 “(2) *information describing the amount of finan-*  
 18 *cial assistance and the number of approved national*  
 19 *service positions the Corporation provided to each*  
 20 *corps and national service program described in this*  
 21 *section for that fiscal year;*

22 “(3) *a measure of the extent to which the corps*  
 23 *and national service programs improved performance*  
 24 *on the corresponding indicators; and*

1           “(4) information describing how the Corporation  
2       is coordinating—

3               “(A) the national service programs funded  
4       under this section; with

5               “(B) applicable programs, as determined by  
6       the Corporation, carried out under subtitles B  
7       and C of this title, and part A of title I and  
8       parts A and B of title II of the Domestic Volun-  
9       teer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.,  
10       5001, 5011) that improve performance on those  
11       indicators or otherwise address identified com-  
12       munity needs.”.

13 **SEC. 1303. TYPES OF POSITIONS.**

14       Section 123 (42 U.S.C. 12573) is amended—

15           (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “section  
16       122(a)” and inserting “subsection (a), (b), or (c) of  
17       section 122”;

18           (2) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting after “sub-  
19       division of a State,” the following: “a territory,”;

20           (3) in paragraph (4), by striking “section  
21       122(a)(3)” and inserting “section 122(a)(1)(B)(vi)”;

22           (4) in paragraph (5), by inserting “National”  
23       before “Civilian Community Corps”;

24           (5) by redesignating paragraph (7) as para-  
25       graph (8); and

1           (6) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-  
2       lowing:

3           “(7) A position involving service in the  
4       ServeAmerica Fellowship program carried out under  
5       section 198B.”.

6   **SEC. 1304. CONFORMING REPEAL RELATING TO TRAINING**  
7                           **AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

8       Section 125 (42 U.S.C. 12575) is repealed.

9   **SEC. 1305. ASSISTANCE TO STATE COMMISSIONS; CHAL-**  
10                           **LENCE GRANTS.**

11       Section 126 (42 U.S.C. 12576) is amended—

12           (1) in subsection (a)—

13               (A) in paragraph (1)—

14                       (i) by striking “\$125,000 and  
15                       \$750,000” and inserting “\$250,000 and  
16                       \$1,000,000”; and

17                       (ii) by striking “501(a)(4)” and insert-  
18                       ing “501(a)(5)”; and

19               (B) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting  
20       the following:

21           “(2) **MATCHING REQUIREMENT.**—In making a  
22       grant to a State under this subsection, the Corpora-  
23       tion shall require the State to agree to provide match-  
24       ing funds from non-Federal sources of not less than



1       \$1 for every \$1 provided by the Corporation through  
2       the grant.

3           “(3) *ALTERNATIVE.*—Notwithstanding para-  
4       graph (2), the Chief Executive Officer may permit a  
5       State that demonstrates hardship or a new State  
6       Commission to meet alternative matching require-  
7       ments for such a grant as follows:

8           “(A) *FIRST \$100,000.*—For the first \$100,000  
9       of grant funds provided by the Corporation, the  
10      State involved shall not be required to provide  
11      matching funds.

12          “(B) *AMOUNTS GREATER THAN \$100,000.*—  
13      For grant amounts of more than \$100,000 and  
14      not more than \$250,000 provided by the Cor-  
15      poration, the State shall agree to provide match-  
16      ing funds from non-Federal sources of not less  
17      than \$1 for every \$2 provided by the Corpora-  
18      tion, in excess of \$100,000.

19          “(C) *AMOUNTS GREATER THAN \$250,000.*—  
20      For grant amounts of more than \$250,000 pro-  
21      vided by the Corporation, the State shall agree to  
22      provide matching funds from non-Federal  
23      sources of not less than \$1 for every \$1 provided  
24      by the Corporation, in excess of \$250,000.”;

1           (2) *by striking subsection (b) and inserting the*  
 2     *following:*

3           “(b) *DISASTER SERVICE.*—*The Corporation may un-*  
 4     *dertake activities, including activities carried out through*  
 5     *part A of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of*  
 6     *1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.), to involve programs that re-*  
 7     *ceive assistance under the national service laws in disaster*  
 8     *relief efforts, and to support, including through mission as-*  
 9     *signments under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and*  
 10    *Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), non-*  
 11    *profit organizations and public agencies responding to the*  
 12    *needs of communities experiencing disasters.”; and*

13           (3) *in subsection (c)—*

14           (A) *in paragraph (1), by striking “to na-*  
 15     *tional service programs that receive assistance*  
 16     *under section 121” and inserting “to programs*  
 17     *supported under the national service laws”; and*

18           (B) *by striking paragraph (3) and inserting*  
 19     *the following:*

20           “(3) *AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE.*—*A challenge*  
 21     *grant under this subsection may provide, for an ini-*  
 22     *tial 3-year grant period, not more than \$1 of assist-*  
 23     *ance under this subsection for each \$1 in cash raised*  
 24     *from private sources by the program supported under*  
 25     *the national service laws in excess of amounts re-*

1        *quired to be provided by the program to satisfy*  
 2        *matching funds requirements. After an initial 3-year*  
 3        *grant period, a grant under this subsection may pro-*  
 4        *vide not more than \$1 of assistance under this sub-*  
 5        *section for each \$2 in cash raised from private sources*  
 6        *by the program in excess of amounts required to be*  
 7        *provided by the program to satisfy matching funds*  
 8        *requirements. The Corporation may permit the use of*  
 9        *local or State funds under this paragraph in lieu of*  
 10       *cash raised from private sources if the Corporation*  
 11       *determines that such use would be equitable due to a*  
 12       *lack of available private funds at the local level. The*  
 13       *Corporation shall establish a ceiling on the amount of*  
 14       *assistance that may be provided to a national service*  
 15       *program under this subsection.”.*

16    **SEC. 1306. ALLOCATION OF ASSISTANCE TO STATES AND**  
 17                                    **OTHER ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.**

18        *Section 129 (42 U.S.C. 12581) is amended to read as*  
 19        *follows:*

20    **“SEC. 129. PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE AND APPROVED NA-**  
 21                                    **TIONAL SERVICE POSITIONS.**

22        *“(a) ONE PERCENT ALLOTMENT FOR CERTAIN TERRI-*  
 23        *TORIES.—Of the funds allocated by the Corporation for pro-*  
 24        *vision of assistance under section 121(a) for a fiscal year,*  
 25        *the Corporation shall reserve 1 percent for grants to the*

1 *United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa,*  
 2 *and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands*  
 3 *upon approval by the Corporation of an application sub-*  
 4 *mitted under section 130. The Corporation shall allot for*  
 5 *a grant to each such territory under this subsection for a*  
 6 *fiscal year an amount that bears the same ratio to 1 percent*  
 7 *of the allocated funds for that fiscal year as the population*  
 8 *of the territory bears to the total population of such terri-*  
 9 *tories.*

10       “(b) *ALLOTMENT FOR INDIAN TRIBES.*—*Of the funds*  
 11 *allocated by the Corporation for provision of assistance*  
 12 *under section 121(a) for a fiscal year, the Corporation shall*  
 13 *reserve at least 1 percent for grants to Indian tribes to be*  
 14 *allotted by the Corporation on a competitive basis.*

15       “(c) *RESERVATION OF APPROVED POSITIONS.*—*The*  
 16 *Corporation shall ensure that each individual selected dur-*  
 17 *ing a fiscal year for assignment as a VISTA volunteer*  
 18 *under title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973*  
 19 *(42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.) or as a participant in the National*  
 20 *Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program under*  
 21 *subtitle E shall receive the national service educational*  
 22 *award described in subtitle D if the individual satisfies the*  
 23 *eligibility requirements for the award. Funds for approved*  
 24 *national service positions required by this paragraph for*  
 25 *a fiscal year shall be deducted from the total funding for*

1 *approved national service positions to be available for dis-*  
 2 *tribution under subsections (d) and (e) for that fiscal year.*

3       “(d) *ALLOTMENT FOR COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—Of the*  
 4 *funds allocated by the Corporation for provision of assist-*  
 5 *ance under section 121(a) for a fiscal year and subject to*  
 6 *section 133(d)(3), the Corporation shall reserve not more*  
 7 *than 62.7 percent for grants awarded on a competitive basis*  
 8 *to States specified in subsection (e)(1) for national service*  
 9 *programs and to nonprofit organizations seeking to operate*  
 10 *a national service program in 2 or more of those States.*  
 11 *In the consideration of applications for such grants, the*  
 12 *Corporation shall ensure the equitable treatment of appli-*  
 13 *cants from urban areas, applicants from rural areas, and*  
 14 *applicants of diverse sizes, as measured by the number of*  
 15 *participants served.*

16       “(e) *ALLOTMENT TO CERTAIN STATES ON FORMULA*  
 17 *BASIS.—*

18               “(1) *GRANTS.—Of the funds allocated by the*  
 19 *Corporation for provision of assistance under section*  
 20 *121(a) for a fiscal year, the Corporation shall make*  
 21 *a grant to each of the several States, the District of*  
 22 *Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico*  
 23 *that submits an application under section 130 that is*  
 24 *approved by the Corporation.*

1           “(2) *ALLOTMENTS.*—*The Corporation shall allot*  
 2           *for a grant to each such State under this subsection*  
 3           *for a fiscal year an amount that bears the same ratio*  
 4           *to 35.3 percent of the allocated funds for that fiscal*  
 5           *year as the population of the State bears to the total*  
 6           *population of the several States, the District of Co-*  
 7           *lumbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, in*  
 8           *compliance with paragraph (3).*

9           “(3) *MINIMUM AMOUNT.*—*Notwithstanding para-*  
 10          *graph (2), the minimum grant made available to each*  
 11          *State approved by the Corporation under paragraph*  
 12          *(1) for each fiscal year shall be at least \$600,000, or*  
 13          *0.5 percent of the amount allocated for the State for-*  
 14          *mula under this subsection for the fiscal year, which-*  
 15          *ever is greater.*

16          “(4) *PROGRAMS.*—*The Corporation—*

17               “(A) *shall select 2 or more of the national*  
 18               *service programs and corps described in section*  
 19               *122(a) to receive assistance under this sub-*  
 20               *section; and*

21               “(B) *may select national service programs*  
 22               *described in section 122(b) to receive such assist-*  
 23               *ance.*

24          “(f) *EFFECT OF FAILURE TO APPLY.*—*If a State or*  
 25          *territory fails to apply for, or fails to give notice to the*

1 Corporation of its intent to apply for, an allotment under  
 2 this section, or the Corporation does not approve the appli-  
 3 cation consistent with section 133, the Corporation may use  
 4 the amount that would have been allotted under this section  
 5 to the State or territory to—

6 “(1) make grants (and provide approved na-  
 7 tional service positions in connection with such  
 8 grants) to other community-based entities under sec-  
 9 tion 121 that propose to carry out national service  
 10 programs in such State or territory; and

11 “(2) make reallotments to other States or terri-  
 12 tories with approved applications submitted under  
 13 section 130, from the allotment funds not used to  
 14 make grants as described in paragraph (1).

15 “(g) *APPLICATION REQUIRED.*—The Corporation shall  
 16 make an allotment of assistance (including the provision  
 17 of approved national service positions) to a recipient under  
 18 this section only pursuant to an application submitted by  
 19 a State or other applicant under section 130.

20 “(h) *APPROVAL OF POSITIONS SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE*  
 21 *FUNDS.*—The Corporation may not approve positions as  
 22 approved national service positions under this subtitle for  
 23 a fiscal year in excess of the number of such positions for  
 24 which the Corporation has sufficient available funds in the  
 25 National Service Trust for that fiscal year, taking into con-

1 *sideration funding needs for national service educational*  
 2 *awards under subtitle D based on completed service. If ap-*  
 3 *propriations are insufficient to provide the maximum al-*  
 4 *lowable national service educational awards under subtitle*  
 5 *D for all eligible participants, the Corporation is authorized*  
 6 *to make necessary and reasonable adjustments to program*  
 7 *rules.*

8       “(i) *SPONSORSHIP OF APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE*  
 9 *POSITIONS.*—

10           “(1) *SPONSORSHIP AUTHORIZED.*—*The Corpora-*  
 11 *tion may enter into agreements with persons or enti-*  
 12 *ties who offer to sponsor national service positions for*  
 13 *which the person or entity will be responsible for sup-*  
 14 *plying the funds necessary to provide a national serv-*  
 15 *ice educational award. The distribution of those ap-*  
 16 *proved national service positions shall be made pur-*  
 17 *suant to the agreement, and the creation of those posi-*  
 18 *tions shall not be taken into consideration in deter-*  
 19 *mining the number of approved national service posi-*  
 20 *tions to be available for distribution under this sec-*  
 21 *tion.*

22           “(2) *DEPOSIT OF CONTRIBUTION.*—*Funds pro-*  
 23 *vided pursuant to an agreement under paragraph (1)*  
 24 *shall be deposited in the National Service Trust estab-*



1        *lished in section 145 until such time as the funds are*  
 2        *needed.*

3        “(j) *RESERVATION OF FUNDS FOR SPECIAL ASSIST-*  
 4 *ANCE.—From amounts appropriated for a fiscal year pur-*  
 5 *suant to the authorization of appropriations in section*  
 6 *501(a)(2) and allocated to carry out subtitle C and subject*  
 7 *to the limitation in such section, the Corporation may re-*  
 8 *serve such amount as the Corporation considers to be appro-*  
 9 *priate for the purpose of making assistance available under*  
 10 *subsections (b) and (c) of section 126. The Corporation shall*  
 11 *reserve such amount, and any amount reserved under sub-*  
 12 *section (k) from funds appropriated and allocated to carry*  
 13 *out subtitle C, before allocating funds for the provision of*  
 14 *assistance under any other provision of this subtitle.*

15        “(k) *RESERVATION OF FUNDS TO INCREASE THE PAR-*  
 16 *TICIPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.—*

17                “(1) *RESERVATION.—To make grants to public*  
 18 *or private nonprofit organizations to increase the*  
 19 *participation of individuals with disabilities in na-*  
 20 *tional service and for demonstration activities in fur-*  
 21 *therance of this purpose, and subject to the limitation*  
 22 *in paragraph (2), the Chief Executive Officer shall re-*  
 23 *serve not less than 1 percent from the amounts, ap-*  
 24 *propriated to carry out subtitles C, D, E, and H for*  
 25 *each fiscal year.*

1           “(2) *LIMITATION.*—*The amount reserved under*  
2           *paragraph (1) may not exceed \$10,000,000.*

3           “(3) *REMAINDER.*—*The Chief Executive Officer*  
4           *may use the funds reserved under paragraph (1), and*  
5           *not distributed to make grants under this subsection*  
6           *for other activities described in section 501(a)(2).*

7           “(1) *AUTHORITY FOR FIXED-AMOUNT GRANTS.*—

8           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*From amounts appropriated*  
9           *for a fiscal year to provide financial assistance under*  
10           *the national service laws, the Corporation, subject to*  
11           *the limitation in subparagraph (B) may provide as-*  
12           *sistance in the form of fixed-amount grants in an*  
13           *amount determined by the Corporation under para-*  
14           *graph (2) rather than on the basis of actual costs in-*  
15           *curring by a program.*

16           “(2) *DETERMINATION OF AMOUNT OF FIXED-*  
17           *AMOUNT GRANTS.*—*A fixed-amount grant authorized*  
18           *by this subsection shall be in an amount determined*  
19           *by the Corporation that is—*

20                   “(A) *significantly less than the reasonable*  
21                   *and necessary costs of administering the pro-*  
22                   *gram supported by the grant; and*

23                   “(B) *based on an amount per individual*  
24                   *enrolled in the program receiving the grant, tak-*  
25                   *ing into account—*

1           “(i) the capacity of the entity carrying  
2           out the program to manage funds and  
3           achieve programmatic results;

4           “(ii) the number of approved national  
5           service positions, approved silver scholar po-  
6           sitions, or approved summer of service posi-  
7           tions for the program, if applicable;

8           “(iii) the proposed design of the pro-  
9           gram;

10          “(iv) whether the program provides  
11          service to, or involves the participation of,  
12          disadvantaged youth or otherwise would  
13          reasonably incur a relatively higher level of  
14          costs; and

15          “(v) such other factors as the Corpora-  
16          tion may consider under section 133 in con-  
17          sidering applications for assistance.

18          “(3) *REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPIENTS.*—  
19          *In awarding a fixed-amount grant under this sub-*  
20          *section, the Corporation—*

21                 “(A) shall require the grant recipient—

22                         “(i) to return a pro rata amount of the  
23                         grant funds based upon the difference be-  
24                         tween the number of hours served by a par-  
25                         ticipant and the minimum number of hours

1           *for completion of a term of service (as estab-*  
 2           *lished by the Corporation);*

3           “(ii) *to report on the program’s per-*  
 4           *formance on standardized and other per-*  
 5           *formance measures established by the Cor-*  
 6           *poration;*

7           “(iii) *to cooperate with any evaluation*  
 8           *activities undertaken by the Corporation;*  
 9           *and*

10          “(iv) *to provide assurances that addi-*  
 11          *tional funds will be raised in support of the*  
 12          *program, in addition to those received*  
 13          *under the national service laws; and*

14          “(B) *may adopt other terms and conditions*  
 15          *that the Corporation considers necessary or ap-*  
 16          *propriate based on the relative risks (as deter-*  
 17          *mined by the Corporation) associated with any*  
 18          *application for a fixed-amount grant.*

19          “(4) *OTHER REQUIREMENTS NOT APPLICABLE.—*  
 20          *Limitations on administrative costs and matching*  
 21          *fund documentation requirements shall not apply to*  
 22          *fixed-amount grants provided in accordance with this*  
 23          *subsection.*

24          “(5) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this*  
 25          *subsection shall relieve a grant recipient of the re-*

1        *sponsibility to comply with the requirements of chap-*  
 2        *ter 75 of title 31, United States Code, or other re-*  
 3        *quirements of Office of Management and Budget Cir-*  
 4        *cular A-133.”.*

5        **SEC. 1307. ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY.**

6        *Part II of subtitle C of title I is amended by inserting*  
 7        *after section 129 (42 U.S.C. 12581) the following:*

8        **“SEC. 129A. EDUCATIONAL AWARDS ONLY PROGRAM.**

9        *“(a) IN GENERAL.—From amounts appropriated for*  
 10        *a fiscal year to provide financial assistance under this sub-*  
 11        *title and consistent with the restriction in subsection (b),*  
 12        *the Corporation may, through fixed-amount grants (in ac-*  
 13        *cordance with section 129(l)), provide operational support*  
 14        *to programs that receive approved national service posi-*  
 15        *tions but do not receive funds under section 121(a).*

16        *“(b) LIMIT ON CORPORATION GRANT FUNDS.—The*  
 17        *Corporation may provide the operational support under*  
 18        *this section for a program in an amount that is not more*  
 19        *than \$600 per individual enrolled in an approved national*  
 20        *service position, or not more than \$800 per such individual*  
 21        *if at least 50 percent of the persons enrolled in the program*  
 22        *are disadvantaged youth.*

23        *“(c) INAPPLICABLE PROVISIONS.—The following pro-*  
 24        *visions shall not apply to programs funded under this sec-*  
 25        *tion:*

1           “(1) *The limitation on administrative costs*  
2           *under section 121(d).*

3           “(2) *The matching funds requirements under sec-*  
4           *tion 121(e).*

5           “(3) *The living allowance and other benefits*  
6           *under sections 131(e) and 140 (other than individual-*  
7           *ized support services for participants with disabilities*  
8           *under section 140(f)).”.*

9   **SEC. 1308. STATE SELECTION OF PROGRAMS.**

10       *Section 130 (42 U.S.C. 12582) is amended—*

11           *(1) in subsection (a)—*

12                   *(A) by inserting after “State,” the fol-*  
13                   *lowing: “territory,”; and*

14                   *(B) by striking “institution of higher edu-*  
15                   *cation, or Federal agency” and inserting “or in-*  
16                   *stitution of higher education”;*

17           *(2) in subsection (b)—*

18                   *(A) in paragraph (9), by striking “section*  
19                   *122(c)” and inserting “section 122(g)”;* and

20                   *(B) in paragraph (12), by inserting “mu-*  
21                   *nicipalities and governments of counties in*  
22                   *which such a community is located,” after “pro-*  
23                   *viding services,”;*

24           *(3) in subsection (c)—*

25                   *(A) in paragraph (1)—*

1                   (i) by striking “jobs or positions” and  
2                   inserting “proposed positions”; and

3                   (ii) by striking “, including” and all  
4                   that follows through the period at the end  
5                   and inserting a period;

6                   (B) in paragraph (2) by inserting “pro-  
7                   posed” before “minimum”; and

8                   (C) by adding at the end the following:

9                   “(3) In the case of a nonprofit organization in-  
10                  tending to operate programs in 2 or more States, a  
11                  description of the manner in which and extent to  
12                  which the organization consulted with the State Com-  
13                  missions of each State in which the organization in-  
14                  tends to operate and the nature of the consultation.”;

15                  (4) in subsection (d)(1)(B), by striking “section  
16                  122(a)” and inserting “subsection (a), (b), or (c) of  
17                  section 122”;

18                  (5) by redesignating subsections (d) through (g)  
19                  as subsections (e) through (h), respectively and insert-  
20                  ing after subsection (c) the following:

21                  “(d) *ADDITIONAL REQUIRED APPLICATION INFORMA-*  
22                  *TION.—An application submitted under subsection (a) for*  
23                  *programs described in 122(a) shall also contain—*

24                         “(1) measurable goals, to be used for annual  
25                         measurements of the program’s performance on 1 or

1        *more of the corresponding indicators described in sec-*  
2        *tion 122;*

3                *“(2) information describing how the applicant*  
4        *proposes to utilize funds to improve performance on*  
5        *the corresponding indicators utilizing participants,*  
6        *including describing the activities in which such par-*  
7        *ticipants will engage to improve performance on those*  
8        *indicators;*

9                *“(3) information identifying the geographical*  
10       *area in which the eligible entity proposing to carry*  
11       *out the program proposes to use funds to improve per-*  
12       *formance on the corresponding indicators, and demo-*  
13       *graphic information on the students or individuals,*  
14       *as appropriate, in such area, and statistics dem-*  
15       *onstrating the need to improve such indicators in*  
16       *such area; and*

17                *“(4) if applicable, information on how the eligi-*  
18       *ble entity will work with other community-based enti-*  
19       *ties to carry out activities to improve performance on*  
20       *the corresponding indicators using such funds.”;*

21                *(6) in subsection (f)(2) (as so redesignated) by*  
22       *striking “were selected” and inserting “were or will*  
23       *be selected”;*

24                *(7) in subsection (g) (as so redesignated)—*



1           (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “a pro-  
 2           gram applicant” and inserting “an applicant”;  
 3           and

4           (B) in paragraph (2)—

5                 (i) in the heading, by striking “PRO-  
 6                 GRAM APPLICANT” and inserting “APPLI-  
 7                 CANT”;

8                 (ii) in the matter preceding subpara-  
 9                 graph (A), by striking “program applicant”  
 10                and inserting “applicant”;

11               (iii) in subparagraph (A)—

12                         (I) by inserting after “subdivision  
 13                         of a State,” the following: “territory,”;  
 14                         and

15                         (II) by striking “institution of  
 16                         higher education, or Federal agency”  
 17                         and inserting “or institution of higher  
 18                         education”; and

19                 (iv) in subparagraph (B)—

20                         (I) by inserting after “subdivision  
 21                         of a State,” the following: “territory,”;  
 22                         and

23                         (II) by striking “institution of  
 24                         higher education, or Federal agency”

1                   and inserting “or institution of higher  
2                   education”; and

3                   (8) in subsection (h) (as so redesignated), by  
4                   striking the period and inserting “or is already re-  
5                   ceiving financial assistance from the Corporation.”.

6 **SEC. 1309. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE RE-**  
7 **QUIREMENTS.**

8                   Section 131(c) (42 U.S.C. 12583(c)) is amended—

9                   (1) in paragraph (1), by striking subparagraph  
10                  (A) and inserting the following:

11                   “(A) the community served, the munici-  
12                  pality and government of the county (if appro-  
13                  priate) in which the community is located, and  
14                  potential participants in the program; and”;  
15                  and

16                  (2) by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the  
17                  following:

18                   “(3) in the case of a program that is not funded  
19                  through a State (including a national service pro-  
20                  gram that a nonprofit organization seeks to operate  
21                  in 2 or more States), consult with and coordinate ac-  
22                  tivities with the State Commission for each State in  
23                  which the program will operate, and the Corporation  
24                  shall obtain confirmation from the State Commission  
25                  that the applicant seeking assistance under this Act

1       *has consulted with and coordinated activities with the*  
 2       *State Commission when seeking to operate the pro-*  
 3       *gram in that State.”.*

4   **SEC. 1310. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS.**

5       *Section 133 (42 U.S.C. 12585) is amended—*

6           *(1) in subsection (b)(2)(B), by striking “jobs or”;*

7           *(2) in subsection (c)—*

8               *(A) by redesignating paragraph (8) as*  
 9               *paragraph (9); and*

10            *(B) by inserting after paragraph (7) the fol-*  
 11            *lowing:*

12               *“(8) The extent to which the national service*  
 13               *program generates the involvement of volunteers, if*  
 14               *consistent with the mission of the program.”;*

15            *(3) in subsection (d)—*

16               *(A) in paragraph (2)—*

17                    *(i) in the matter preceding subpara-*  
 18                    *graph (A)—*

19                               *(I) by striking “section 122(a)”*  
 20                               *and inserting “subsection (a), (b), or*  
 21                               *(c) of section 122”; and*

22                               *(II) by striking “section*  
 23                               *129(d)(2)” and inserting “section*  
 24                               *129(d)”;*

1                   (ii) by striking subparagraphs (A)  
2                   through (G) and inserting the following:

3                   “(A) national service programs that—

4                   “(i) recruit veterans, particularly re-  
5                   turning veterans, into service opportunities;

6                   “(ii) promote community-based efforts  
7                   to meet the unique needs of military fami-  
8                   lies while a family member is deployed, and  
9                   upon that family member’s return home;

10                  “(iii) conform to the national service  
11                  priorities in effect under section 122(g);

12                  “(iv) are innovative; and

13                  “(v) are well established in 1 or more  
14                  States at the time of the application and  
15                  are proposed to be expanded to additional  
16                  States using assistance provided under sec-  
17                  tion 121;

18                  “(B) grant programs in support of other  
19                  national service programs if the grant programs  
20                  are to be conducted by nonprofit organizations  
21                  with demonstrated and extensive expertise in the  
22                  provision of services to meet human, educational,  
23                  environmental, or public safety needs; and

24                  “(C) professional corps programs described  
25                  in section 122(c)(4).”; and

1                   (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “section  
2                   129(d)(2)” and inserting “section 129(d)”;

3                   (4) in subsection (e), by striking “subsections (a)  
4                   and (d)(1) of section 129” and inserting “subsections  
5                   (d) and (e) of section 129”; and

6                   (5) in subsection (f)—

7                   (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “section  
8                   129(a)(1)” and inserting “section 129(e)”;

9                   (B) in paragraph (3)—

10                   (i) by striking “section 129(a)” and  
11                   inserting “section 129(e)”;

12                   (ii) by striking “paragraph (3) of such  
13                   subsection” and inserting “section 129(f)”.

14 **SEC. 1311. DESCRIPTION OF PARTICIPANTS.**

15                   Section 137 (42 U.S.C. 12591) is amended—

16                   (1) in subsection (a)—

17                   (A) by striking paragraph (3); and

18                   (B) by redesignating paragraphs (4), (5),  
19                   and (6) as paragraphs (3), (4), and (5), respec-  
20                   tively;

21                   (2) by striking subsection (b);

22                   (3) in subsection (c), by striking “(a)(5)” and  
23                   inserting “(a)(4)”;

24                   (4) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection  
25                   (b).

1 **SEC. 1312. SELECTION OF NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICI-**  
 2 **PANTS.**

3 *Section 138 (42 U.S.C. 12592) is amended—*

4 *(1) in subsection (a), by striking “conducted by*  
 5 *the State” and all that follows through “or other enti-*  
 6 *ty” and inserting “conducted by the entity”; and*

7 *(2) in subsection (e)(2)(C), by inserting before*  
 8 *the semicolon at the end the following: “, particularly*  
 9 *those who were considered, at the time of their service,*  
 10 *disadvantaged youth”.*

11 **SEC. 1313. TERMS OF SERVICE.**

12 *Section 139 (42 U.S.C. 12593) is amended—*

13 *(1) in subsection (b)—*

14 *(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “not less*  
 15 *than 9 months and”;*

16 *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “during*  
 17 *a period of—” and all that follows through the*  
 18 *period at the end and inserting “during a period*  
 19 *of not more than 2 years.”; and*

20 *(C) by adding at the end the following:*

21 *“(4) EXTENSION OF TERM FOR DISASTER PUR-*  
 22 *POSES.—*

23 *“(A) EXTENSION.—An individual in an ap-*  
 24 *proved national service position performing serv-*  
 25 *ice directly related to disaster relief efforts may*  
 26 *continue in a term of service for a period of 90*

1        *days beyond the period otherwise specified in, as*  
 2        *appropriate, this subsection or section 153(d) or*  
 3        *in section 104 of the Domestic Volunteer Service*  
 4        *Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4954).*

5                “(B) *SINGLE TERM OF SERVICE.*—*A period*  
 6        *of service performed by an individual in an*  
 7        *originally-agreed to term of service and service*  
 8        *performed under this paragraph shall constitute*  
 9        *a single term of service for purposes of sub-*  
 10       *sections (b)(1) and (c) of section 146.*

11               “(C) *BENEFITS.*—*An individual performing*  
 12        *service under this paragraph may continue to re-*  
 13        *ceive a living allowance and other benefits under*  
 14        *section 140 but may not receive an additional*  
 15        *national service educational award under section*  
 16        *141.”; and*  
 17        *(2) in subsection (c)—*

18                (A) *in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “as*  
 19        *demonstrated by the participant” and inserting*  
 20        *“as determined by the organization responsible*  
 21        *for granting the release, if the participant has*  
 22        *otherwise performed satisfactorily and has com-*  
 23        *pleted at least 15 percent of the term of service”;*  
 24        *and*

25                (B) *in paragraph (2)—*

1                   (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
 2                   “provide to the participant that portion of  
 3                   the national service educational award”  
 4                   and inserting “certify the participant’s eli-  
 5                   gibility for that portion of the national  
 6                   service educational award”; and

7                   (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
 8                   “to allow return to the program with which  
 9                   the individual was serving in order”.

10 **SEC. 1314. ADJUSTMENTS TO LIVING ALLOWANCE.**

11       Section 140 (42 U.S.C. 12594) is amended—

12                   (1) in subsection (a)—

13                       (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “para-  
 14                       graph (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (2) and  
 15                       (3)”;

16                       (B) by striking paragraph (2);

17                       (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
 18                       paragraph (2);

19                       (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) (as so  
 20                       redesignated) the following:

21                       “(3) *FEDERAL WORK-STUDY STUDENTS.*—The  
 22                       living allowance that may be provided under para-  
 23                       graph (1) to an individual whose term of service in-  
 24                       cludes hours for which the individual receives a Fed-  
 25                       eral work-study award under part C of title IV of the



1 *Higher Education Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751 et*  
 2 *seq.) shall be reduced by the amount of the individ-*  
 3 *ual's Federal work study award.”; and*

4 *(E) in paragraph (4), by striking “a re-*  
 5 *duced term of service under section 139(b)(3)”*  
 6 *and inserting “a term of service that is less than*  
 7 *12 months”;*

8 *(2) in subsection (b), by striking “shall include*  
 9 *an amount sufficient to cover 85 percent of such*  
 10 *taxes” and all that follows through the period at the*  
 11 *end and inserting “may be used to pay the taxes de-*  
 12 *scribed in this subsection.”;*

13 *(3) in subsection (c)—*

14 *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph*  
 15 *(1)—*

16 *(i) by striking “section 122(a)(8)” and*  
 17 *inserting “section 122(c)”;* and

18 *(ii) by striking “subsection (a)(3)” and*  
 19 *inserting “subsection (a)(2)”;*

20 *(B) in paragraph (1), by adding “and” at*  
 21 *the end;*

22 *(C) by striking paragraph (2); and*

23 *(D) by redesignating paragraph (3) as*  
 24 *paragraph (2);*

1           (4) in subsection (d)(1), by striking the second  
2 sentence; and

3           (5) by striking subsections (g) and (h).

4 ***Subtitle D—Amendments to Subtitle***  
5 ***D (National Service Trust and***  
6 ***Provision of National Service***  
7 ***Educational Awards)***

8 ***SEC. 1401. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN THE NATIONAL***  
9 ***SERVICE TRUST.***

10       (a) *SUBTITLE HEADING.*—The subtitle heading for  
11 subtitle D of title I is amended to read as follows:

12 ***“Subtitle D—National Service Trust***  
13 ***and Provision of Educational***  
14 ***Awards”.***

15       (b) *ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUST.*—Section 145 (42  
16 *U.S.C. 12601)* is amended—

17           (1) in subsection (a)—

18               (A) in paragraph (1)—

19                   (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
20 graph (A), by striking “pursuant to section  
21 501(a)(2)”; and

22                   (ii) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
23 after “national service educational awards”  
24 the following: “, summer of service edu-

1            *cational awards, and silver scholar edu-*  
 2            *cational awards”;*

3            *(B) in paragraph (2)—*

4                    *(i) by striking “pursuant to section*  
 5                    *196(a)(2)” and inserting “pursuant to sec-*  
 6                    *tion 196(a)(2), if the terms of such dona-*  
 7                    *tions direct that the donated amounts be de-*  
 8                    *posited in the National Service Trust”; and*

9                    *(ii) by striking “and” at the end;*

10            *(C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as*  
 11            *paragraph (4); and*

12            *(D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-*  
 13            *lowing:*

14                    *“(3) any amounts recovered by the Corporation*  
 15                    *pursuant to section 146A; and”;*

16                    *(2) in subsection (c), by striking “for payments*  
 17                    *of national service educational awards in accordance*  
 18                    *with section 148.” and inserting “for—*

19                    *“(1) payments of national service educational*  
 20                    *awards, summer of service educational awards, and*  
 21                    *silver scholar educational awards in accordance with*  
 22                    *section 148; and*

23                    *“(2) payments of interest in accordance with sec-*  
 24                    *tion 148(e).”; and*

25                    *(3) in subsection (d)—*

1           (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
2           “CONGRESS” and inserting “THE AUTHORIZING  
3           COMMITTEES”;

4           (B) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
5           by striking “the Congress” and inserting “the  
6           authorizing committees”;

7           (C) in paragraphs (2), (3), and (4), by in-  
8           serting “, summer of service educational awards,  
9           or silver scholar awards” after “national service  
10          educational awards” each place the term ap-  
11          pears; and

12          (D) in paragraph (4)—

13               (i) by inserting “, additional approved  
14               summer of service positions, and additional  
15               approved silver scholar positions” after “ad-  
16               ditional approved national service posi-  
17               tions”; and

18               (ii) by striking “under subtitle C”.

19 **SEC. 1402. INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN EDU-**  
20 **CATIONAL AWARD FROM THE TRUST.**

21          Section 146 (42 U.S.C. 12602) is amended—

22               (1) by striking the section heading and inserting  
23          the following:

1 **“SEC. 146. INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN EDU-**  
 2 **CATIONAL AWARD FROM THE TRUST.”;**

3 *and*

4 *(2) in subsection (a)—*

5 *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph*

6 *(1)—*

7 *(i) by inserting “, summer of service*  
 8 *educational award, or silver scholar edu-*  
 9 *cational award” after “national service edu-*  
 10 *cational award”; and*

11 *(ii) by striking “if the individual” and*  
 12 *inserting “if the organization responsible*  
 13 *for the individual’s supervision in a na-*  
 14 *tional service program certifies that the in-*  
 15 *dividual”;*

16 *(B) by striking paragraphs (1), (2), and (3)*  
 17 *and inserting the following:*

18 *“(1) met the applicable eligibility requirements*  
 19 *for the approved national service position, approved*  
 20 *silver scholar position, or approved summer of service*  
 21 *position, as appropriate, in which the individual*  
 22 *served; and*

23 *“(2)(A) for a full-time or part-time national*  
 24 *service educational award, successfully completed the*  
 25 *required term of service described in subsection (b)(1)*  
 26 *in the approved national service position;*

1           “(B) for a partial educational award in accord-  
2           ance with section 139(c)—

3                   “(i) satisfactorily performed prior to being  
4                   granted a release for compelling personal cir-  
5                   cumstances under such section; and

6                   “(ii) completed at least 15 percent of the re-  
7                   quired term of service described in subsection (b)  
8                   for the approved national service position;

9           “(C) for a summer of service educational award,  
10           successfully completed the required term of service de-  
11           scribed in subsection (b)(2) in an approved summer  
12           of service position, as certified through a process de-  
13           termined by the Corporation through regulations con-  
14           sistent with section 138(f); or

15           “(D) for a silver scholar educational award, suc-  
16           cessfully completed the required term of service de-  
17           scribed in subsection (b)(3) in an approved silver  
18           scholar position, as certified through a process deter-  
19           mined by the Corporation through regulations con-  
20           sistent with section 138(f); and”.

21                   (C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as  
22                   paragraph (3);

23                   (3) in subsection (b)—

24                   (A) by striking “The term” and inserting  
25                   the following:

1           “(1) *APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE POSITION.*—  
2       *The term*”; and

3                       *(B) by adding at the end the following:*

4           “(2) *APPROVED SUMMER OF SERVICE POSI-*  
5       *TION.*—*The term of service for an approved summer*  
6       *of service position shall not be less than 100 hours of*  
7       *service during the summer months.*

8           “(3) *APPROVED SILVER SCHOLAR POSITION.*—  
9       *The term of service for an approved silver scholar po-*  
10      *sition shall be not less than 250 hours during a 1-*  
11      *year period.*”;

12                      *(4) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the*  
13      *following:*

14      “(c) *LIMITATION ON RECEIPT OF NATIONAL SERVICE*  
15      *EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.*—*An individual may not receive,*  
16      *through national service educational awards and silver*  
17      *scholar educational awards, more than an amount equal*  
18      *to the aggregate value of 2 such awards for full-time service.*  
19      *The value of summer of service educational awards that an*  
20      *individual receives shall have no effect on the aggregate*  
21      *value of the national service educational awards the indi-*  
22      *vidual may receive.*”;

23                      *(5) in subsection (d)—*

24                              *(A) in paragraph (1)—*

1                   (i) by striking “SEVEN-YEAR REQUIRE-  
2                   MENT” and inserting “IN GENERAL”;

3                   (ii) by striking “An” and inserting  
4                   “Subject to paragraph (2), an”;

5                   (iii) by inserting “or a silver scholar  
6                   educational award” after “national service  
7                   educational award”;

8                   (iv) by inserting “or an approved sil-  
9                   ver scholar position, as applicable,” after  
10                  “approved national service position”; and

11                  (v) by adding at the end the following:  
12                  “Subject to paragraph (2), an individual el-  
13                  igible to receive a summer of service edu-  
14                  cational award under this section may not  
15                  use such award after the end of the 10-year  
16                  period beginning on the date the individual  
17                  completes the term of service in an ap-  
18                  proved summer of service position that is  
19                  the basis of the award.”;

20                  (B) in paragraph (2)—

21                   (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
22                   graph (A) and in subparagraph (A), by in-  
23                   serting “, summer of service educational  
24                   award, or silver scholar educational award”  
25                   after “national service educational award”;



1                   (ii) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
 2                   “, or 10-year period, as appropriate” after  
 3                   “7-year period”; and

4                   (iii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting  
 5                   “, approved summer of service position, or  
 6                   approved silver scholar position” after “ap-  
 7                   proved national service position”; and

8                   (C) by adding at the end the following:

9                   “(3) *TERM FOR TRANSFERRED EDUCATIONAL*  
 10                  *AWARDS.—For purposes of applying paragraphs (1)*  
 11                  *and (2)(A) to an individual who is eligible to receive*  
 12                  *an educational award as a designated individual (as*  
 13                  *defined in section 148(f)(3)), references to a seven-*  
 14                  *year period shall be considered to be references to a*  
 15                  *10-year period that begins on the date the individual*  
 16                  *who transferred the educational award to the des-*  
 17                  *ignated individual completed the term of service in*  
 18                  *the approved national service position or approved*  
 19                  *silver scholar position that is the basis of the award.”;*  
 20                  *and*

21                  (6) in subsection (e)(1)—

22                   (A) by inserting after “qualifying under  
 23                   this section” the following: “or under section  
 24                   119(c)(8)”; and

1                   (B) by inserting after “to receive a national  
 2                   service educational award” the following: “, a  
 3                   summer of service educational award, or a silver  
 4                   scholar educational award”.

5   **SEC. 1403. CERTIFICATIONS.**

6           *The Act is amended by adding after section 146 (42*  
 7   *U.S.C. 12602) the following:*

8   **“SEC. 146A. CERTIFICATIONS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION**  
 9                   **OF TERMS OF SERVICE.**

10           “(a) *CERTIFICATIONS.—In making any authorized*  
 11   *disbursement from the National Service Trust in regard to*  
 12   *an eligible individual (including disbursement for a des-*  
 13   *ignated individual, as defined in section 148(f)(3), due to*  
 14   *the service of an eligible individual) under section 146 who*  
 15   *served in an approved national service position, an ap-*  
 16   *proved summer of service position, or an approved silver*  
 17   *scholar position, the Corporation shall rely on a certifi-*  
 18   *cation. The certification shall be made by the entity that*  
 19   *selected the individual for and supervised the individual in*  
 20   *the approved national service position in which such indi-*  
 21   *vidual successfully completed a required term of service, in*  
 22   *a national service program.*

23           “(b) *EFFECT OF ERRONEOUS CERTIFICATIONS.—If the*  
 24   *Corporation determines that the certification under sub-*  
 25   *section (a) is erroneous or incorrect, the Corporation may*

1 *assess against the national service program a charge for the*  
 2 *amount of any associated payment or potential payment*  
 3 *from the National Service Trust. In assessing the charge,*  
 4 *the Corporation shall consider the full facts and cir-*  
 5 *cumstances surrounding the erroneous or incorrect certifi-*  
 6 *cation, and may determine the charge based on principles*  
 7 *of equity and good conscience.”.*

8 **SEC. 1404. DETERMINATION OF THE AMOUNT OF THE EDU-**  
 9 **CATIONAL AWARD.**

10 *Section 147 (42 U.S.C. 12603) is amended—*

11 *(1) by striking the section heading and inserting*  
 12 *the following:*

13 **“SEC. 147. DETERMINATION OF THE AMOUNT OF THE EDU-**  
 14 **CATIONAL AWARD.”; and**

15 *(2) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-*  
 16 *lows:*

17 **“(a) AMOUNT FOR FULL-TIME NATIONAL SERVICE.—**  
 18 *Except as provided in subsection (c), an individual de-*  
 19 *scribed in section 146(a) who successfully completes a re-*  
 20 *quired term of full-time national service in an approved*  
 21 *national service position shall receive a national service*  
 22 *educational award having a value equal to the maximum*  
 23 *amount available to any student of a Federal Pell Grant*  
 24 *that a student eligible under section 401(b)(2)(A) of the*  
 25 *Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)(2)(A))*

1 *may receive for the award year for which the national serv-*  
 2 *ice position is approved by the Corporation.”;*

3 *(3) in subsection (b), by striking “, for each of*  
 4 *not more than 2 of such terms of service,”; and*

5 *(4) by adding at the end the following:*

6 *“(d) AMOUNT FOR SUMMER OF SERVICE.—An indi-*  
 7 *vidual described in section 146(a) who successfully com-*  
 8 *pletes a required summer of service term shall receive a*  
 9 *summer of service educational award having a value, for*  
 10 *each of not more than 2 of such terms of service, equal to*  
 11 *\$500.*

12 *“(e) AMOUNT FOR SILVER SCHOLARS.—An individual*  
 13 *described in section 146(a) who successfully completes a re-*  
 14 *quired silver scholar term shall receive a silver scholar edu-*  
 15 *cational award having a value of \$1,000.”.*

16 **SEC. 1405. DISBURSEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.**

17 *Section 148 (42 U.S.C. 12604) is amended—*

18 *(1) by striking the section heading and inserting*  
 19 *the following:*

20 **“SEC. 148. DISBURSEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.”;**

21 *(2) in subsection (a)—*

22 *(A) in paragraph (2), by striking “cost of*  
 23 *attendance” and inserting “cost of attendance or*  
 24 *other educational expenses”;*

25 *(B) in paragraph (3), by striking “and”;*

1           (C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as  
2           paragraph (5); and

3           (D) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-  
4           lowing:

5           “(4) to pay expenses incurred in enrolling in an  
6           educational institution or training establishment that  
7           is approved under chapter 36 of title 38, United  
8           States Code, or other applicable provisions of law, for  
9           offering programs of education, apprenticeship, or on-  
10          job training for which educational assistance may be  
11          provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and”;  
12          (3) in subsection (b)—

13           (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting after  
14           “the national service educational award of the  
15           individual” the following: “, an eligible indi-  
16           vidual under section 146(a) who served in a  
17           summer of service program and desires to apply  
18           that individual’s summer of service educational  
19           award, or an eligible individual under section  
20           146(a) who served in a silver scholar program  
21           and desires to apply that individual’s silver  
22           scholar educational award,”;

23           (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting after  
24           “the national service educational award” the fol-  
25           lowing: “, the summer of service educational

award, or the silver scholar educational award,  
as applicable,”;

(C) in paragraph (5), by inserting after  
“the national service educational award” the fol-  
lowing: “, the summer of service educational  
award, or the silver scholar educational award,  
as applicable”; and

(D) in paragraph (7)—

(i) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
the period and inserting “; and”; and

(ii) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) any loan (other than a loan described  
in subparagraph (A) or (B)) determined by an  
institution of higher education to be necessary to  
cover a student’s educational expenses and made,  
insured, or guaranteed by—

“(i) an eligible lender, as defined in  
section 435 of the Higher Education Act of  
1965 (20 U.S.C. 1085);

“(ii) the direct student loan program  
under part D of title IV of such Act (20  
U.S.C. 1087a et seq.);

“(iii) a State agency; or

“(iv) a lender otherwise determined by  
the Corporation to be eligible to receive dis-

1                   bursements from the National Service  
2                   Trust.”;

3                   (4) in subsection (c)—

4                   (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting after  
5                   “national service educational award” the fol-  
6                   lowing: “, an eligible individual under section  
7                   146(a) who desires to apply the individual’s  
8                   summer of service educational award, or an eli-  
9                   gible individual under section 146(a) who served  
10                  in a silver scholar program and desires to apply  
11                  that individual’s silver scholar educational  
12                  award,”;

13                  (B) in paragraph (2)—

14                  (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
15                  after “national service educational award”  
16                  the following: “, summer of service edu-  
17                  cational award, or silver scholar edu-  
18                  cational award, as applicable,”; and

19                  (ii) in subparagraph (C)(iii), by in-  
20                  serting after “national service educational  
21                  awards” the following: “, summer of service  
22                  educational awards, or silver scholar edu-  
23                  cational awards, as applicable,”;

24                  (C) in paragraph (3), by inserting after  
25                  “national service educational awards” the fol-

lowing: “summer of service educational awards,  
or silver scholar educational awards”;

(D) in paragraph (5)—

(i) by inserting after “national service  
educational award” the following: “, sum-  
mer of service educational award, or silver  
scholar educational award, as applicable,”;  
and

(ii) by inserting before the period the  
following: “, additional approved summer of  
service positions, and additional approved  
silver scholar positions”; and

(E) in paragraph (6)—

(i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
graph (A), by inserting after “national  
service educational award” the following: “,  
summer of service educational award, or sil-  
ver scholar educational award”; and

(ii) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
“and other educational expenses” after “cost  
of attendance”;

(5) in subsection (d), by inserting after “na-  
tional service educational awards” the following: “,  
summer of service educational awards, and silver  
scholar educational awards”;



1           (6) in subsection (e), by striking “subsection  
2           (b)(6)” and inserting “subsection (b)(7)”;

3           (7) in subsection (f)—

4                 (A) by striking “Director” and inserting  
5                 “Chief Executive Officer”; and

6                 (B) by inserting “, summer of service edu-  
7                 cational award, or silver scholar educational  
8                 award, as appropriate,” after “national service  
9                 educational award”;

10           (8) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as  
11           subsections (g) and (h) respectively; and

12           (9) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:

13           “(f) *TRANSFER OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.*—

14                 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—An individual who is eligible  
15                 to receive a national service educational award or sil-  
16                 ver scholar educational award under a program de-  
17                 scribed in paragraph (2) may elect to receive the  
18                 award (in the amount described in the corresponding  
19                 provision of section 147) and transfer the award to  
20                 a designated individual. Subsections (b), (c), and (d)  
21                 shall apply to the designated individual in lieu of the  
22                 individual who is eligible to receive the national serv-  
23                 ice educational award or silver scholar educational  
24                 award, except that amounts refunded to the account  
25                 under subsection (c)(5) on behalf of a designated indi-

vidual may be used by the Corporation to fund additional placements in the national service program in which the eligible individual who transferred the national service educational award or silver scholar educational award participated for such award.

“(2) *CONDITIONS FOR TRANSFER.*—An educational award may be transferred under this subsection if—

“(A)(i) the award is a national service educational award for service in a national service program that receives a grant under subtitle C; and

“(ii) before beginning the term of service involved, the eligible individual is age 55 or older; or

“(B) the award is a silver scholarship educational award under section 198C(a).

“(3) *DEFINITION OF A DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL.*—In this subsection, the term ‘designated individual’ is an individual—

“(A) whom an individual who is eligible to receive a national service educational award or silver scholar educational award under a program described in paragraph (2) designates to receive the educational award;

1           “(B) who meets the eligibility requirements  
 2           of paragraphs (3) and (4) of section 146(a); and  
 3           “(C) who is a child or grandchild of the in-  
 4           dividual described in subparagraph (A).”.

5 **SEC. 1406. APPROVAL PROCESS FOR APPROVED POSITIONS.**

6           (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subtitle D of title I (42 U.S.C.  
 7 12601 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following  
 8 new section:

9 **“SEC. 149. APPROVAL PROCESS FOR APPROVED POSITIONS.**

10           “(a) *TIMING AND RECORDING REQUIREMENTS.*—

11           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Notwithstanding subtitles C,  
 12 D, and H, and any other provision of law, in approv-  
 13 ing a position as an approved national service posi-  
 14 tion, an approved summer of service position, or an  
 15 approved silver scholar position, the Corporation—

16           “(A) shall approve the position at the time  
 17 the Corporation—

18           “(i) enters into an enforceable agree-  
 19 ment with an individual participant to  
 20 serve in a program carried out under sub-  
 21 title E of title I of this Act, section 198B or  
 22 198C(a), or under title I of the Domestic  
 23 Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.  
 24 4951 et seq.), a summer of service program  
 25 described in section 119(c)(8), or a silver

1           *scholarship program described in section*  
2           *198C(a); or*

3           “(ii) *except as provided in clause (i),*  
4           *awards a grant to (or enters into a contract*  
5           *or cooperative agreement with) an entity to*  
6           *carry out a program for which such a posi-*  
7           *tion is approved under section 123; and*

8           “(B) *shall record as an obligation an esti-*  
9           *mate of the net present value of the national*  
10          *service educational award, summer of service*  
11          *educational award, or silver scholar educational*  
12          *award associated with the position, based on a*  
13          *formula that takes into consideration historical*  
14          *rates of enrollment in such a program, and of*  
15          *earning and using national service educational*  
16          *awards, summer of service educational awards,*  
17          *or silver scholar educational awards, as appro-*  
18          *priate, for such a program and remain avail-*  
19          *able.*

20          “(2) *FORMULA.—In determining the formula de-*  
21          *scribed in paragraph (1)(B), the Corporation shall*  
22          *consult with the Director of the Congressional Budget*  
23          *Office.*

24          “(3) *CERTIFICATION REPORT.—The Chief Execu-*  
25          *tive Officer of the Corporation shall annually prepare*

1       *and submit to the authorizing committees a report*  
 2       *that contains a certification that the Corporation is*  
 3       *in compliance with the requirements of paragraph*  
 4       *(1).*

5               “(4) *APPROVAL.*—*The requirements of this sub-*  
 6       *section shall apply to each approved national service*  
 7       *position, approved summer of service position, or ap-*  
 8       *proved silver scholarship position that the Corpora-*  
 9       *tion approves—*

10               “(A) *during fiscal year 2010; and*

11               “(B) *during any subsequent fiscal year.*

12       “(b) *RESERVE ACCOUNT.*—

13               “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT AND CONTENTS.*—

14               “(A)   *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*Notwithstanding*  
 15       *subtitles C, D, and H, and any other provision*  
 16       *of law, within the National Service Trust estab-*  
 17       *lished under section 145, the Corporation shall*  
 18       *establish a reserve account.*

19               “(B)   *CONTENTS.*—*To ensure the avail-*  
 20       *ability of adequate funds to support the awards*  
 21       *of approved national service positions, approved*  
 22       *summer of service positions, and approved silver*  
 23       *scholar positions, for each fiscal year, the Cor-*  
 24       *poration shall place in the account—*

1           “(i) during fiscal year 2010, a portion  
2           of the funds that were appropriated for fis-  
3           cal year 2010 or a previous fiscal year  
4           under section 501 of this Act or section 501  
5           of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of  
6           1973 (42 U.S.C. 5081), were made available  
7           to carry out subtitle C, D, or E of this title,  
8           section 198B or 198C(a), subtitle A of title  
9           I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of  
10          1973, or summer of service programs de-  
11          scribed in section 119(c)(8), and remain  
12          available; and

13          “(ii) during fiscal year 2011 or a sub-  
14          sequent fiscal year, a portion of the funds  
15          that were appropriated for that fiscal year  
16          under section 501 of this Act or section 501  
17          of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of  
18          1973 (42 U.S.C. 5081), were made available  
19          to carry out subtitle C, D, or E of this title,  
20          section 198B or 198C(a), subtitle A of title  
21          I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of  
22          1973, or summer of service programs de-  
23          scribed in section 119(c)(8), and remain  
24          available.

1           “(2) *OBLIGATION.*—*The Corporation shall not*  
 2           *obligate the funds in the reserve account until the*  
 3           *Corporation—*

4                   “(A) *determines that the funds will not be*  
 5                   *needed for the payment of national service edu-*  
 6                   *cational awards associated with previously ap-*  
 7                   *proved national service positions, summer of*  
 8                   *service educational awards associated with pre-*  
 9                   *viously approved summer of service positions,*  
 10                   *and silver scholar educational awards associated*  
 11                   *with previously approved silver scholar posi-*  
 12                   *tions; or*

13                   “(B) *obligates the funds for the payment of*  
 14                   *national service educational awards for such pre-*  
 15                   *viously approved national service positions, sum-*  
 16                   *mer of service educational awards for such pre-*  
 17                   *viously approved summer of service positions, or*  
 18                   *silver scholar educational awards for such pre-*  
 19                   *viously approved silver scholar positions, as ap-*  
 20                   *plicable.*

21           “(c) *AUDITS.*—*The accounts of the Corporation relat-*  
 22           *ing to the appropriated funds for approved national service*  
 23           *positions, approved summer of service positions, and ap-*  
 24           *proved silver scholar positions, and the records dem-*  
 25           *onstrating the manner in which the Corporation has re-*

1 *corded estimates described in subsection (a)(1)(B) as obliga-*  
 2 *tions, shall be audited annually by independent certified*  
 3 *public accountants or independent licensed public account-*  
 4 *ants certified or licensed by a regulatory authority of a*  
 5 *State or other political subdivision of the United States in*  
 6 *accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. A*  
 7 *report containing the results of each such independent audit*  
 8 *shall be included in the annual report required by sub-*  
 9 *section (a)(3).*

10       “(d) *AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Except as provided*  
 11 *in subsection (b), all amounts included in the National*  
 12 *Service Trust under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of section*  
 13 *145(a) shall be available for payments of national service*  
 14 *educational awards, summer of service educational awards,*  
 15 *or silver scholar educational awards under section 148.”.*

16       (b) *CONFORMING REPEAL.—The Strengthen*  
 17 *AmeriCorps Program Act (42 U.S.C. 12605) is repealed.*

18       ***Subtitle E—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 19       ***E (National Civilian Community***  
 20       ***Corps)***

21       ***SEC. 1501. PURPOSE.***

22       *Section 151 (42 U.S.C. 12611) is amended to read as*  
 23 *follows:*



1 **“SEC. 151. PURPOSE.**

2       *“It is the purpose of this subtitle to authorize the oper-*  
 3 *ation of, and support for, residential and other service pro-*  
 4 *grams that combine the best practices of civilian service*  
 5 *with the best aspects of military service, including leader-*  
 6 *ship and team building, to meet national and community*  
 7 *needs. The needs to be met under such programs include*  
 8 *those needs related to—*

9               *“(1) natural and other disasters;*

10              *“(2) infrastructure improvement;*

11              *“(3) environmental stewardship and conserva-*  
 12 *tion;*

13              *“(4) energy conservation; and*

14              *“(5) urban and rural development.”.*

15 **SEC. 1502. PROGRAM COMPONENTS.**

16       *Section 152 (42 U.S.C. 12612) is amended—*

17              *(1) by amending the section heading to read as*  
 18 *follows:*

19 **“SEC. 152. ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL CIVILIAN COM-**  
 20 **MUNITY CORPS PROGRAM.”;**

21              *(2) in subsection (a), by striking “Civilian Com-*  
 22 *munity Corps Demonstration Program” and insert-*  
 23 *ing “National Civilian Community Corps Program”;*

24              *(3) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) of*  
 25 *subsection (b)—*

1           (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps  
2           Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-  
3           tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;  
4           and

5           (B) by striking “a Civilian Community  
6           Corps” and inserting “a National Civilian Com-  
7           munity Corps”; and

8           (4) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the  
9           following:

10          “(c) *RESIDENTIAL COMPONENTS.*—Both programs re-  
11       ferred to in subsection (b) may include a residential compo-  
12       nent.”.

13       **SEC. 1503. ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS.**

14       Section 153 (42 U.S.C. 12613) is amended—

15           (1) in subsection (a)—

16               (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps  
17               Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-  
18               tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;  
19               and

20               (B) by striking “on Civilian Community  
21               Corps” and inserting “on National Civilian  
22               Community Corps”;

23           (2) in subsection (b), by striking paragraph (1)  
24       and inserting the following:

1           “(1) is, or will be, at least 18 years of age on  
 2           or before December 31 of the calendar year in which  
 3           the individual enrolls in the program, but is not more  
 4           than 24 years of age as of the date the individual be-  
 5           gins participating in the program; and”;

6           (3) in subsection (c)—

7           (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
 8           “BACKGROUNDS” and inserting “BACKGROUNDS”;  
 9           and

10          (B) by adding at the end the following:

11          “The Director shall take appropriate steps, in-  
 12          cluding through outreach and recruitment activi-  
 13          ties, to increase the percentage of participants in  
 14          the program who are disadvantaged youth to 50  
 15          percent of all participants by year 2012. The Di-  
 16          rector shall report to the authorizing committees  
 17          biennially on such efforts, any challenges faced,  
 18          and the annual participation rates of disadvan-  
 19          taged youth in the program.”;

20          (4) by striking subsection (d); and

21          (5) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection

22          (d).

23   **SEC. 1504. SUMMER NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM.**

24          Section 154 (42 U.S.C. 12614) is amended—

25          (1) in subsection (a)—

1           (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps  
2           Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-  
3           tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;  
4           and

5           (B) by striking “on Civilian Community  
6           Corps” and inserting “on National Civilian  
7           Community Corps”; and

8           (2) in subsection (b), by striking “shall be” and  
9           all that follows through the period at the end and in-  
10          serting “shall be from economically and ethnically di-  
11          verse backgrounds, including youth who are in foster  
12          care.”.

13 **SEC. 1505. NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS.**

14          Section 155 (42 U.S.C. 12615) is amended—

15           (1) by amending the section heading to read as  
16          follows:

17 **“SEC. 155. NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS.”;**

18           (2) in subsection (a)—

19           (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps  
20           Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-  
21           tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;  
22           and

23           (B) by striking “the Civilian Community  
24           Corps shall” and inserting “the National Civil-  
25           ian Community Corps shall”;

1           (3) *in subsection (b)—*

2                   (A) *by amending the subsection heading to*  
3           *read as follows:*

4           “(b) *MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY*  
5   *CORPS.—*”;

6                   (B) *in paragraph (1), by inserting “Na-*  
7           *tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”;*

8                   (C) *in paragraph (3)—*

9                           (i) *by striking “superintendent” and*  
10           *inserting “campus director”; and*

11                           (ii) *by striking “camp” and inserting*  
12           *“campus”; and*

13                   (D) *by adding at the end the following:*

14           “(4) *TEAM LEADERS.—*

15                   “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The Director may select*  
16           *individuals with prior supervisory or service ex-*  
17           *perience to be team leaders within units in the*  
18           *National Civilian Community Corps, to perform*  
19           *service that includes leading and supervising*  
20           *teams of Corps members. Each team leader shall*  
21           *be selected without regard to the age limitation*  
22           *under section 153(b).*

23                   “(B) *RIGHTS AND BENEFITS.—A team lead-*  
24           *er shall be provided the same rights and benefits*  
25           *applicable to other Corps members, except that*

1        *the Director may increase the limitation on the*  
 2        *amount of the living allowance under section*  
 3        *158(b) by not more than 10 percent for a team*  
 4        *leader.”;*

5        *(4) in subsection (d)—*

6                *(A) by amending the subsection heading to*  
 7        *read as follows:*

8        *“(d) CAMPUSES.—”;*

9                *(B) in paragraph (1)—*

10                *(i) by amending the paragraph head-*  
 11        *ing to read as follows:*

12                *“(1) UNITS TO BE ASSIGNED TO CAM-*  
 13        *PUSES.—”;*

14                *(ii) by striking “in camps” and insert-*  
 15        *ing “in campuses”;*

16                *(iii) by striking “camp” and inserting*  
 17        *“campus”; and*

18                *(iv) by striking “in the camps” and*  
 19        *inserting “in the campuses”;*

20                *(C) by amending paragraphs (2) and (3) to*  
 21        *read as follows:*

22                *“(2) CAMPUS DIRECTOR.—There shall be a cam-*  
 23        *pus director for each campus. The campus director is*  
 24        *the head of the campus.*

1           “(3) *ELIGIBLE SITE FOR CAMPUS.*—A campus  
2           shall be cost effective and may, upon the completion  
3           of a feasibility study, be located in a facility referred  
4           to in section 162(c).”;

5           (5) in subsection (e)—

6           (A) by amending the subsection heading to  
7           read as follows:

8           “(e) *DISTRIBUTION OF UNITS AND CAMPUSES.*—”;

9           (B) by striking “camps are distributed”  
10          and inserting “campuses are cost effective and  
11          are distributed”; and

12          (C) by striking “rural areas” and all that  
13          follows through the period at the end and insert-  
14          ing “rural areas such that each Corps unit in a  
15          region can be easily deployed for disaster and  
16          emergency response to such region.”; and

17          (6) in subsection (f)—

18          (A) in paragraph (1)—

19                  (i) by striking “superintendent” and  
20                  inserting “campus director”; and

21                  (ii) by striking “camp” both places  
22                  such term appears and inserting “campus”;

23          (B) in paragraph (2)—

24                  (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
25                  graph (A), by striking “superintendent of a

1                   *camp*” and inserting “*campus director of a*  
2                   *campus*”;

3                   (ii) in subparagraph (A)—

4                   (I) by striking “*superintendent*”  
5                   and inserting “*campus director*”;

6                   (II) by striking “*superintend-*  
7                   *ent’s*” and inserting “*campus direc-*  
8                   *tor’s*”; and

9                   (III) by striking “*camp*” each  
10                  place such term appears and inserting  
11                  “*campus*”; and

12                  (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
13                  “*superintendent*” and inserting “*campus*  
14                  *director*”; and

15                  (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “*camp*  
16                  *superintendent*” and inserting “*campus direc-*  
17                  *tor*”.

18 **SEC. 1506. TRAINING.**

19           *Section 156 (42 U.S.C. 12616) is amended—*

20           (1) in subsection (a)—

21                   (A) by inserting “*National*” before “*Civil-*  
22                   *ian Community Corps*”; and

23                   (B) by adding at the end the following:  
24                   “*The Director shall ensure that to the extent*  
25                   *practicable, each member of the Corps is trained*



1           *in CPR, first aid, and other skills related to dis-*  
 2           *aster preparedness and response.”;*

3           (2) *in subsection (b)(1), by inserting before the*  
 4           *period at the end the following: “, including a focus*  
 5           *on energy conservation, environmental stewardship or*  
 6           *conservation, infrastructure improvement, urban and*  
 7           *rural development, or disaster preparedness needs, as*  
 8           *appropriate”;* and

9           (3) *by amending subsection (c)(2) to read as fol-*  
 10          *lows:*

11           “(2) *COORDINATION WITH OTHER ENTITIES.—*  
 12           *Members of the cadre may provide, either directly or*  
 13           *through grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements,*  
 14           *the advanced service training referred to in subsection*  
 15           *(b)(1) in coordination with vocational or technical*  
 16           *schools, other employment and training providers, ex-*  
 17           *isting youth service programs, other qualified individ-*  
 18           *uals, or organizations with expertise in training*  
 19           *youth, including disadvantaged youth, in the skill*  
 20           *areas described in such subsection.”;* and

21           (4) *in subsection (d), by striking “section*  
 22           *162(a)(3)” and inserting “section 162(c)”.*

23 **SEC. 1507. CONSULTATION WITH STATE COMMISSIONS.**

24           *Section 157 (42 U.S.C. 12617) is amended—*

25           (1) *in subsection (a)—*

1           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
 2           by inserting “National” before “Civilian Com-  
 3           munity Corps”;

4           (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting before  
 5           the semicolon the following: “, with specific em-  
 6           phasis on projects in support of infrastructure  
 7           improvement, energy conservation, and urban  
 8           and rural development”; and

9           (C) in paragraph (2), by striking “service  
 10          learning” and inserting “service-learning”;

11         (2) in subsection (b)—

12           (A) in paragraph (1)—

13           (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
 14           “and the Secretary of Housing and Urban  
 15           Development” and inserting “the Secretary  
 16           of Housing and Urban Development, the  
 17           Administrator of the Environmental Protec-  
 18           tion Agency, the Administrator of the Fed-  
 19           eral Emergency Management Agency, the  
 20           Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of  
 21           Transportation, and the Chief of the Forest  
 22           Service”; and

23           (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

1 (I) by inserting “community-  
 2 based entities and” before “representa-  
 3 tives of local communities”; and

4 (II) by striking “camp” both  
 5 places such term appears and inserting  
 6 “campus”; and

7 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “State  
 8 Commissions,” before “and persons involved in  
 9 other youth service programs.”; and  
 10 (3) in subsection (c)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) by striking “superintendent” both  
 13 places such term appears and inserting  
 14 “campus director”; and

15 (ii) by striking “camp” both places  
 16 such term appears and inserting “campus”;  
 17 and

18 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “camp  
 19 superintendents” and inserting “campus direc-  
 20 tors”.

21 **SEC. 1508. AUTHORIZED BENEFITS FOR CORPS MEMBERS.**

22 *Section 158 (42 U.S.C. 12618) is amended—*

23 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “National” be-  
 24 fore “Civilian Community Corps”; and

25 (2) in subsection (c)—

1           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph

2           (1)—

3                   (i) by inserting “National” before “Ci-  
4                   vilian Community Corps”; and

5                   (ii) by inserting before the colon the  
6                   following: “, as the Director determines ap-  
7                   propriate”;

8           (B) in paragraph (6), by striking “Cloth-  
9           ing” and inserting “Uniforms”; and

10           (C) in paragraph (7), by striking “Rec-  
11           reational services and supplies” and inserting  
12           “Supplies”.

13 **SEC. 1509. PERMANENT CADRE.**

14       Section 159 (42 U.S.C. 12619) is amended—

15           (1) in subsection (a)—

16                   (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
17                   by striking “Civilian Community Corps Dem-  
18                   onstration Program” and inserting “National  
19                   Civilian Community Corps Program”; and

20                   (B) in paragraph (1)—

21                   (i) by inserting “including those” be-  
22                   fore “recommended”; and

23                   (ii) by inserting “National” before  
24                   “Civilian Community Corps”;

1           (2) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting “National”  
 2       before “Civilian Community Corps”;

3           (3) in subsection (c)—

4               (A) in paragraph (1)(B)(i), by inserting  
 5       “National” before “Civilian Community Corps”;  
 6       and

7               (B) in paragraph (2)—

8                   (i) in subparagraph (A)—

9                       (I) by striking “The Director shall  
 10       establish a permanent cadre of” and  
 11       inserting “The Chief Executive Officer  
 12       shall establish a permanent cadre that  
 13       includes the Director and other ap-  
 14       pointed”; and

15                    (II) by inserting “National” be-  
 16       fore “Civilian Community Corps”;

17                   (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
 18       “The Director shall appoint the members”  
 19       and inserting “The Chief Executive Officer  
 20       shall consider the recommendations of the  
 21       Director in appointing the other members”;

22                   (iii) in subparagraph (C)—

23                       (I) in the matter preceding clause  
 24       (i), by striking “the Director” and in-  
 25       serting “the Chief Executive Officer”;

1                   (II) in clause (i), by striking “sec-  
 2                   tion 162(a)(2)” and inserting “section  
 3                   162(b)”;

4                   (III) in clause (iii), by striking  
 5                   “and” at the end;

6                   (IV) by redesignating clause (iv)  
 7                   as clause (v); and

8                   (V) by inserting after clause (iii)  
 9                   the following:

10                  “(iv) give consideration to retired and  
 11                  other former law enforcement, fire, rescue,  
 12                  and emergency personnel, and other indi-  
 13                  viduals with backgrounds in disaster pre-  
 14                  paredness, relief, and recovery; and”; and

15                  (iv) in subparagraph (E)—

16                   (I) by striking “to members” and  
 17                   inserting “to other members”;

18                   (II) by inserting after “tech-  
 19                   niques” the following: “, including  
 20                   techniques for working with and en-  
 21                   hancing the development of disadvan-  
 22                   taged youth,”; and

23                   (III) by striking “service learn-  
 24                   ing” and inserting “service-learning”;  
 25                   and

1 (C) in paragraph (3)—

2 (i) in the first sentence, by striking  
3 “the members” and inserting “other mem-  
4 bers”; and

5 (ii) in the second sentence, by striking  
6 “section 162(a)(2)(A)” and inserting  
7 “162(b)(1)”.

8 **SEC. 1510. STATUS OF CORPS MEMBERS AND CORPS PER-**  
9 **SONNEL UNDER FEDERAL LAW.**

10 Section 160(a) (42 U.S.C. 12620(a)) is amended by  
11 inserting “National” before “Civilian Community Corps”.

12 **SEC. 1511. CONTRACT AND GRANT AUTHORITY.**

13 Section 161 (42 U.S.C. 12621) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “perform any  
15 program function under this subtitle” and inserting  
16 “carry out the National Civilian Community Corps  
17 program”; and

18 (2) in subsection (b)—

19 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “section  
20 162(a)(3)” and inserting “section 162(c)”; and

21 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “Na-  
22 tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”.

23 **SEC. 1512. OTHER DEPARTMENTS.**

24 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 162 (42 U.S.C. 12622) is  
25 amended—

1           (1) *in subsection (a)—*

2                 (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

3                     (i) *in subparagraph (A), by inserting*  
 4                     “National” *before “Civilian Community*  
 5                     *Corps”; and*

6                     (ii) *in subparagraph (B)(i), by strik-*  
 7                     *ing “the registry established by” and all*  
 8                     *that follows through the semicolon and in-*  
 9                     *serting “the registry established by section*  
 10                     *1143a of title 10, United States Code;”;*

11                    (B) *in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “to be*  
 12                    *recommended for appointment” and inserting*  
 13                    *“from which individuals may be selected for ap-*  
 14                    *pointment by the Director”; and*

15                    (C) *in paragraph (3), by inserting “Na-*  
 16                    *tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”; and*  
 17                    (2) *by striking subsection (b).*

18           (b) *TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Section 162 (42*  
 19           *U.S.C. 12622), as amended by subsection (a), is further*  
 20           *amended—*

21                    (1) *in the section heading, by striking “OTHER*  
 22                    *DEPARTMENTS” and inserting “DEPARTMENT OF*  
 23                    *DEFENSE”;*

24                    (2) *by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), and (4)*  
 25                    *of subsection (a) as subsections (b), (c), and (d), re-*



1       *spectively, and aligning the margins of such sub-*  
 2       *sections with section 161(a) of the Act;*

3           *(3) by striking “(a) SECRETARY” and all that*  
 4       *follows through “OFFICE.—” and inserting the fol-*  
 5       *lowing:*

6       *“(a) LIAISON OFFICE.—”;*

7           *(4) in subsection (a) (as amended by paragraph*  
 8       *(3))—*

9           *(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A)*  
 10       *and (B) as paragraphs (1) and (2), and aligning*  
 11       *the margins of such paragraphs with the mar-*  
 12       *gins of section 161(b)(1) of the Act; and*

13           *(B) by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii) of*  
 14       *paragraph (2) (as redesignated by subparagraph*  
 15       *(A)) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively,*  
 16       *and aligning the margins of such subparagraphs*  
 17       *with the margins of section 161(b)(1)(A) of the*  
 18       *Act;*

19           *(5) in subsection (b) (as redesignated by para-*  
 20       *graph (2))—*

21           *(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A),*  
 22       *(B), and (C) as paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), re-*  
 23       *spectively, and aligning the margins of such*  
 24       *paragraphs with the margins of section 161(b)(1)*  
 25       *of the Act;*

1           (B) in paragraph (1) (as redesignated by  
2           subparagraph (A)), by striking “paragraph (1)”  
3           and inserting “subsection (a)”; and

4           (C) in paragraph (2) (as redesignated by  
5           subparagraph (A)), by striking “paragraph” and  
6           inserting “subsection”; and

7           (6) in subsection (c) (as redesignated by para-  
8           graph (2)), by striking “paragraph (1)” and inserting  
9           “subsection (a)”.

10 **SEC. 1513. ADVISORY BOARD.**

11       Section 163 (42 U.S.C. 12623) is amended—

12           (1) in subsection (a)—

13               (A) by striking “Upon the establishment of  
14               the Program, there shall also be” and inserting  
15               “*There shall be*”;

16               (B) by inserting “National” before “Civil-  
17               ian Community Corps Advisory Board”; and

18               (C) by striking “to assist” and all that fol-  
19               lows through the period at the end and inserting  
20               “to assist the Corps in responding rapidly and  
21               efficiently in times of natural and other disas-  
22               ters. The Advisory Board members shall help co-  
23               ordinate activities with the Corps as appro-  
24               priate, including the mobilization of volunteers  
25               and coordination of volunteer centers to help

1        *local communities recover from the effects of nat-*  
 2        *ural and other disasters.”;*

3        *(2) in subsection (b)—*

4                *(A) by redesignating paragraphs (8) and*  
 5                *(9) as paragraphs (13) and (14), respectively;*

6                *(B) by inserting after paragraph (7) the fol-*  
 7        *lowing:*

8                *“(8) The Administrator of the Federal Emer-*  
 9        *gency Management Agency.*

10                *“(9) The Secretary of Transportation.*

11                *“(10) The Chief of the Forest Service.*

12                *“(11) The Administrator of the Environmental*  
 13        *Protection Agency.*

14                *“(12) The Secretary of Energy.”; and*

15                *(C) in paragraph (13), as so redesignated,*  
 16        *by striking “industry,” and inserting “public*  
 17        *and private organizations,”.*

18    **SEC. 1514. EVALUATIONS.**

19        *Section 164 (42 U.S.C. 12624) is amended—*

20                *(1) in the section heading, by striking “ANNUAL*  
 21        ***EVALUATION*” and inserting “EVALUATIONS”;**

22                *(2) by striking “an annual evaluation” and in-*  
 23        *serting “periodic evaluations”;*

1           (3) by striking “Civilian Community Corps pro-  
 2           grams” and inserting “National Civilian Community  
 3           Corps Program”; and

4           (4) by adding at the end the following: “Upon  
 5           completing each such evaluation, the Corporation  
 6           shall transmit to the authorizing committees a report  
 7           on the evaluation.”.

8   **SEC. 1515. REPEAL OF FUNDING LIMITATION.**

9           Section 165 (42 U.S.C. 12625) is repealed.

10   **SEC. 1516. DEFINITIONS.**

11           Subtitle E of title I (as amended by this subtitle) (42  
 12   U.S.C. 12611 et seq.) is further amended—

13           (1) by redesignating section 166 as 165;

14           (2) in section 165 (as redesignated by paragraph  
 15   (1))—

16           (A) by striking paragraphs (2), (3), and  
 17   (9);

18           (B) by redesignating paragraphs (4)  
 19   through (8) as paragraphs (5) through (9), re-  
 20   spectively;

21           (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
 22   lowing:

23           “(2) *CAMPUS DIRECTOR*.—The term ‘campus di-  
 24   rector’, with respect to a Corps campus, means the  
 25   head of the campus under section 155(d).

1           “(3) *CORPS*.—The term ‘Corps’ means the Na-  
 2           tional Civilian Community Corps required under sec-  
 3           tion 155 as part of the National Civilian Community  
 4           Corps Program.

5           “(4) *CORPS CAMPUS*.—The term ‘Corps campus’  
 6           means the facility or central location established as  
 7           the operational headquarters and boarding place for  
 8           particular Corps units.”;

9           (D) in paragraph (5) (as so redesignated),  
 10          by striking “Civilian Community Corps Dem-  
 11          onstration Program” and inserting “National  
 12          Civilian Community Corps Program”;

13          (E) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated),  
 14          by inserting “National” before “Civilian Com-  
 15          munity Corps”;

16          (F) in paragraph (8) (as so redesignated),  
 17          by striking “The terms” and all that follows  
 18          through “Demonstration Program” and inserting  
 19          “The term ‘Program’ means the National Civil-  
 20          ian Community Corps Program”; and

21          (G) in paragraph (9) (as so redesignated)—

22               (i) in the paragraph heading, by strik-  
 23               ing “SERVICE LEARNING” and inserting  
 24               “SERVICE-LEARNING”; and

1                   (ii) in the matter preceding subpara-  
 2                   graph (A), by striking “service learning”  
 3                   and inserting “service-learning”.

4 **SEC. 1517. TERMINOLOGY.**

5           *Subtitle E of title I (as so amended) (42 U.S.C. 12611*  
 6 *et seq.) is further amended by striking the subtitle heading*  
 7 *and inserting the following:*

8                   **“Subtitle E—National Civilian**  
 9                   **Community Corps”.**

10           **Subtitle F—Amendments to Subtitle**  
 11           **F (Administrative Provisions)**

12 **SEC. 1601. FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE.**

13           *Section 171(a)(1) (42 U.S.C. 12631(a)(1)) is amended*  
 14 *by striking “with respect to a project” and inserting “with*  
 15 *respect to a project authorized under the national service*  
 16 *laws”.*

17 **SEC. 1602. REPORTS.**

18           *Section 172 (42 U.S.C. 12632) is amended—*

19                   (1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “appropriate  
 20                   authorizing and appropriations Committees of Con-  
 21                   gress” and inserting “authorizing committees, the  
 22                   Committee on Appropriations for the House of Rep-  
 23                   resentatives, and the Committee on Appropriations of  
 24                   the Senate”; and

1           (2) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “the appro-  
2       priate committees of Congress” and inserting “the au-  
3       thorizing committees, the Committee on Armed Serv-  
4       ices of the House of Representatives, and the Com-  
5       mittee on Armed Services of the Senate”.

**6 SEC. 1603. USE OF FUNDS.**

7        *Section 174 (42 U.S.C. 12634) is amended by adding*  
8   *at the end the following:*

9           “(d) *REFERRALS FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE.*—A pro-  
10 gram may not receive assistance under the national service  
11 laws for the sole purpose of referring individuals to Federal  
12 assistance programs or State assistance programs funded  
13 in part by the Federal Government.”.

14 *SEC. 1604. NOTICE, HEARING, AND GRIEVANCE PROCE-*  
15 *DURES.*

16      *Section 176 (42 U.S.C. 12636) is amended—*

(1) in subsection (a)(2)(A), by striking “30 days” and inserting “1 or more periods of 30 days not to exceed a total of 90 days”; and

20                    (2) *in subsection (f)*—

21 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “A State  
22 or local applicant” and inserting “An entity”;  
23 and

24 (B) in paragraph (6)—

1                   (i) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
2                   “and”;

3                   (ii) by redesignating subparagraph (D)  
4                   as subparagraph (E); and

5                   (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
6                   (C) the following:

7                   “(D) in a case in which the grievance is  
8                   filed by an individual applicant or partici-  
9                   pant—

10                   “(i) the applicant’s selection or the  
11                   participant’s reinstatement, as the case may  
12                   be; and

13                   “(ii) other changes in the terms and  
14                   conditions of service applicable to the indi-  
15                   vidual; and”.

16 **SEC. 1605. RESOLUTION OF DISPLACEMENT COMPLAINTS.**

17                   Section 177 (42 U.S.C. 12637) is amended—

18                   (1) in subsections (a) and (b), by striking  
19                   “under this title” each place it appears and inserting  
20                   “under the national service laws”;

21                   (2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “employee or  
22                   position” and inserting “employee, position, or volun-  
23                   teer (other than a participant under the national  
24                   service laws)”; and

25                   (3) by adding at the end the following:



1 “(f) *PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT.*—

2 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Programs that receive assist-  
 3 *ance under the national service laws shall consult*  
 4 *with the parents or legal guardians of children in de-*  
 5 *veloping and operating programs that include and*  
 6 *serve children.*

7 “(2) *PARENTAL PERMISSION.*—Programs that re-  
 8 *ceive assistance under the national service laws shall,*  
 9 *before transporting minor children, provide the chil-*  
 10 *dren’s parents with the reason for the transportation*  
 11 *and obtain the parents’ written permission for such*  
 12 *transportation, consistent with State law.”.*

13 **SEC. 1606. STATE COMMISSIONS ON NATIONAL AND COM-**  
 14 **MUNITY SERVICE.**

15 *Section 178 (42 U.S.C. 12638) is amended—*

16 *(1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking “sections*  
 17 *117B and 130” and inserting “section 130”;*

18 *(2) in subsection (c)(1)—*

19 *(A) in subparagraph (I), by striking “sec-*  
 20 *tion 122(a)” and all that follows through the pe-*  
 21 *riod at the end and inserting “subsection (a),*  
 22 *(b), or (c) of section 122.”; and*

23 *(B) by adding at the end the following:*

24 *“(J) A representative of the volunteer sec-*  
 25 *tor.”;*

1           (3) in subsection (c)(3), by striking “, unless the  
2       State permits the representative to serve as a voting  
3       member of the State Commission or alternative ad-  
4       ministrative entity”;

5           (4) in subsection (d)(6)(B), by striking “section  
6       193A(b)(11)” and inserting “section 193A(b)(12)”;

7           (5) in subsection (e)—

8                 (A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting  
9       the following:

10           “(1) Preparation of a national service plan for  
11       the State that—

12                 “(A) is developed through an open and pub-  
13       lic process (such as through regional forums,  
14       hearings, and other means) that provides for  
15       maximum participation and input from the pri-  
16       vate sector, organizations, and public agencies  
17       using service and volunteerism as a strategy to  
18       meet critical community needs, including pro-  
19       grams funded under the national service laws;

20                 “(B) covers a 3-year period, the beginning  
21       of which may be set by the State;

22                 “(C) is subject to approval by the chief exec-  
23       utive officer of the State;

24                 “(D) includes measurable goals and out-  
25       comes for the State consistent with the perform-

1        *ance measures for national service programs as*  
 2        *described in section 179(k);*

3                *“(E) ensures outreach to diverse commu-*  
 4        *nity-based agencies that serve underrepresented*  
 5        *populations, by using established networks and*  
 6        *registries at the State level, or establishing such*  
 7        *networks and registries;*

8                *“(F) provides for effective coordination of*  
 9        *funding applications submitted by the State and*  
 10        *others within the State under the national serv-*  
 11        *ice laws;*

12                *“(G) is updated annually, reflecting changes*  
 13        *in practices and policies that will improve the*  
 14        *coordination and effectiveness of Federal, State,*  
 15        *and local resources for service and volunteerism*  
 16        *within the State; and*

17                *“(H) contains such information as the State*  
 18        *Commission considers to be appropriate or as the*  
 19        *Corporation may require.”; and*

20                *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “sections*  
 21        *117B and 130” and inserting “section 130”;*

22                *(6) by redesignating subsections (f) through (j)*  
 23        *as subsections (h) through (l), respectively; and*

24                *(7) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:*

1       “(f) *RELIEF FROM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIRE-*  
 2 *MENTS.*—Upon approval of a State plan submitted under  
 3 subsection (e)(1), the Chief Executive Officer may waive,  
 4 or specify alternatives to, administrative requirements  
 5 (other than statutory provisions) otherwise applicable to  
 6 grants made to States under the national service laws, in-  
 7 cluding those requirements identified by a State as imped-  
 8 ing the coordination and effectiveness of Federal, State, and  
 9 local resources for service and volunteerism within a State.

10       “(g) *STATE SERVICE PLAN FOR ADULTS AGE 55 AND*  
 11 *OLDER.*—

12               “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Notwithstanding any other  
 13 provision of this section, to be eligible to receive a  
 14 grant or allotment under subtitle B or C or to receive  
 15 a distribution of approved national service positions  
 16 under subtitle C, a State shall work with appropriate  
 17 State agencies and private entities to develop a com-  
 18 prehensive State service plan for volunteer service by  
 19 adults age 55 and older.

20               “(2) *MATTERS INCLUDED.*—The State service  
 21 plan shall include—

22                       “(A) recommendations for policies to in-  
 23 crease service for adults age 55 and older, in-  
 24 cluding how to best use such adults as sources of

1           *social capital, and how to utilize their skills and*  
 2           *experience to address community needs;*

3           “(B) *recommendations to the State agency*  
 4           *(as defined in section 102 of the Older Ameri-*  
 5           *cans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3002)) on—*

6           “(i) *a marketing outreach plan to busi-*  
 7           *nesses; and*

8           “(ii) *outreach to—*

9           “(I) *nonprofit organizations;*

10          “(II) *the State educational agen-*  
 11          *cy;*

12          “(III) *institutions of higher edu-*  
 13          *cation; and*

14          “(IV) *other State agencies; and*

15          “(C) *recommendations for civic engagement*  
 16          *and multigenerational activities, such as—*

17          “(i) *early childhood education and*  
 18          *care, family literacy, and after school pro-*  
 19          *grams;*

20          “(ii) *respite services for adults age 55*  
 21          *and older and caregivers; and*

22          “(iii) *transitions for older adults age*  
 23          *55 and older to purposeful work in their*  
 24          *post-career lives.*

1           “(3) *KNOWLEDGE BASE.*—*The State service plan*  
 2           *shall incorporate the current knowledge base (as of the*  
 3           *time of the plan) regarding—*

4                     “(A) *the economic impact of the roles of*  
 5                     *workers age 55 and older in the economy;*

6                     “(B) *the social impact of the roles of such*  
 7                     *workers in the community; and*

8                     “(C) *the health and social benefits of active*  
 9                     *engagement for adults age 55 and older.*

10           “(4) *PUBLICATION.*—*The State service plan shall*  
 11           *be made available to the public and be transmitted to*  
 12           *the Chief Executive Officer.”.*

13 ***SEC. 1607. EVALUATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY.***

14           *Section 179 (42 U.S.C. 12639) is amended—*

15                     *(1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-*  
 16                     *lows:*

17                     “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Corporation shall provide, di-*  
 18                     *rectly or through grants or contracts, for the continuing*  
 19                     *evaluation of programs that receive assistance under the na-*  
 20                     *tional service laws, including evaluations that measure the*  
 21                     *impact of such programs, to determine—*

22                     “(1) *the effectiveness of programs receiving as-*  
 23                     *istance under the national service laws in achieving*  
 24                     *stated goals and the costs associated with such, in-*  
 25                     *cluding an evaluation of each such program’s per-*

1     *formance based on the performance measures estab-*  
 2     *lished under subsection (k); and*

3             *“(2) the effectiveness of the structure and mecha-*  
 4     *nisms for delivery of services, such as the effective uti-*  
 5     *lization of the participants’ time, the management of*  
 6     *the participants, and the ease with which recipients*  
 7     *were able to receive services, to maximize the cost-ef-*  
 8     *fectiveness and the impact of such programs.”;*

9             *(2) in subsection (g)—*

10             *(A) in paragraph (3), by striking “National*  
 11             *Senior Volunteer Corps” and inserting “National*  
 12             *Senior Service Corps”; and*

13             *(B) in paragraph (9), by striking “to public*  
 14             *service” and all that follows through the period*  
 15             *at the end and inserting “to engage in service*  
 16             *that benefits the community.”;*

17             *(3) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) of*  
 18             *subsection (i)(2), by striking “Congress” and insert-*  
 19             *ing “the authorizing committees”; and*

20             *(4) by adding at the end the following:*

21             *“(j) RESERVED PROGRAM FUNDS FOR ACCOUNT-*  
 22     *ABILITY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in*  
 23     *addition to amounts appropriated to carry out this section,*  
 24     *the Corporation may reserve not more than 1 percent of*  
 25     *the total program funds appropriated for a fiscal year*

1 *under the national service laws to support program ac-*  
 2 *countability activities under this section.*

3       “(k) *PERFORMANCE MEASURES.*—*The Corporation*  
 4 *shall, in consultation with each recipient of assistance*  
 5 *under the national service laws, establish performance*  
 6 *measures for such recipient to meet during the term of the*  
 7 *assistance. The performance measures may include—*

8               “(1) *number of participants enrolled in the pro-*  
 9 *gram and completing terms of service, as compared to*  
 10 *the stated participation and retention goals of the*  
 11 *program;*

12               “(2) *number of volunteers recruited from the*  
 13 *community in which the program was implemented;*

14               “(3) *if applicable based on the program design,*  
 15 *the number of individuals receiving or benefitting*  
 16 *from the service conducted;*

17               “(4) *number of disadvantaged and underrep-*  
 18 *resented youth participants;*

19               “(5) *measures of the sustainability of the pro-*  
 20 *gram and the projects supported by the program, in-*  
 21 *cluding measures to ascertain the level of community*  
 22 *support for the program or projects;*

23               “(6) *measures to ascertain the change in attitude*  
 24 *toward civic engagement among the participants and*  
 25 *the beneficiaries of the service; and*



1           “(7) *other quantitative and qualitative measures*  
 2           *as determined to be appropriate by the recipient of*  
 3           *assistance.*

4           “(l) *CORRECTIVE PLANS.*—

5           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*A grant recipient that fails,*  
 6           *as determined by the Corporation, to meet or exceed*  
 7           *the performance measures agreed upon under sub-*  
 8           *section (k), shall reach an agreement with the Cor-*  
 9           *poration on a corrective action plan to meet such per-*  
 10          *formance measures.*

11          “(2) *ASSISTANCE.*—

12          “(A) *NEW PROGRAM.*—*For a program that*  
 13          *has received assistance for less than 3 years and*  
 14          *is failing to meet or exceed the performance*  
 15          *measures agreed upon under subsection (k), the*  
 16          *Corporation shall—*

17                 “(i) *provide technical assistance to the*  
 18                 *grant recipient to address targeted perform-*  
 19                 *ance problems relating to the performance*  
 20                 *levels and the performance measures; and*

21                 “(ii) *require the grant recipient to sub-*  
 22                 *mit quarterly reports on the program’s*  
 23                 *progress toward meeting the performance*  
 24                 *levels to the appropriate State, territory, or*  
 25                 *Indian tribe and the Corporation.*

1                   “(B) *ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS.*—*For a pro-*  
 2                   *gram that has received assistance for 3 years or*  
 3                   *more and is failing to meet the performance*  
 4                   *measures agreed upon under subsection (k), the*  
 5                   *Corporation shall require the grantee to submit*  
 6                   *quarterly reports on the program’s progress to-*  
 7                   *ward the performance measures to the appro-*  
 8                   *priate State, territory, or Indian tribe and the*  
 9                   *Corporation.*

10                  “(m) *FAILURE TO MEET PERFORMANCE LEVELS.*—*If,*  
 11                  *after a period for correction as approved by the Corporation*  
 12                  *in accordance with subsection (l), a recipient of assistance*  
 13                  *under the national service laws fails to meet or exceed the*  
 14                  *performance measures, the Corporation shall—*

15                   “(1) *reduce the annual amount of the assistance*  
 16                   *received by the underperforming recipient by at least*  
 17                   *25 percent, for each remaining year of the grant pe-*  
 18                   *riod; or*

19                   “(2) *terminate assistance to the underperforming*  
 20                   *recipient, in accordance with section 176(a).*

21                  “(n) *REPORTS.*—*The Corporation shall submit to the*  
 22                  *authorizing committees not later than 2 years after the date*  
 23                  *of enactment of the Serve America Act, and annually there-*  
 24                  *after, a report containing information on the number of—*

1           “(1) recipients of assistance under the national  
2       service laws implementing corrective action plans  
3       under subsection (l)(1);

4           “(2) recipients for which the Corporation offers  
5       technical assistance under subsection (l)(2)(A)(i);

6           “(3) recipients for which the Corporation termi-  
7       nates assistance for a program under subsection (m);

8           “(4) entities whose application for assistance  
9       under a national service law was rejected; and

10          “(5) recipients meeting or exceeding their per-  
11       formance measures under subsection (k).”.

12 **SEC. 1608. CIVIC HEALTH INDEX.**

13       (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subtitle *F* of title *I*, as amended  
14 by this subtitle, (42 U.S.C. 12631 et seq.) is further amend-  
15 ed by inserting after section 179 the following:

16 **“SEC. 179A. CIVIC HEALTH INDEX AND VOLUNTEERING RE-  
17                               SEARCH AND EVALUATION.**

18       “(a) *DEFINITION OF PARTNERSHIP.*—In this sub-  
19 section, the term ‘partnership’ means the Corporation, act-  
20 ing in conjunction with (consistent with the terms of an  
21 agreement entered into between the Corporation and the Na-  
22 tional Conference) the National Conference on Citizenship  
23 referred to in section 150701 of title 36, United States Code,  
24 to carry out this section.

1       “(b) *IN GENERAL.*—*The partnership shall facilitate*  
 2 *the establishment of a Civic Health Index by—*

3               “(1) *after identifying public and private sources*  
 4 *of civic health data, selecting a set of civic health in-*  
 5 *dicators, in accordance with subsection (c), that shall*  
 6 *comprise the Civic Health Index;*

7               “(2) *obtaining civic health data relating to the*  
 8 *Index, in accordance with subsection (d); and*

9               “(3) *conducting related analyses, and reporting*  
 10 *the data and analyses, as described in paragraphs (4)*  
 11 *and (5) of subsection (d) and subsections (e) and (f).*

12       “(c) *SELECTION OF INDICATORS FOR CIVIC HEALTH*  
 13 *INDEX.*—

14               “(1) *IDENTIFYING SOURCES.*—*The partnership*  
 15 *shall select a set of civic health indicators that shall*  
 16 *comprise the Civic Health Index. In making such se-*  
 17 *lection, the partnership—*

18                       “(A) *shall identify public and private*  
 19 *sources of civic health data;*

20                       “(B) *shall explore collaborating with other*  
 21 *similar efforts to develop national indicators in*  
 22 *the civic health domain; and*

23                       “(C) *may sponsor a panel of experts, such*  
 24 *as one convened by the National Academy of*

1           *Sciences, to recommend civic health indicators*  
 2           *and data sources for the Civic Health Index.*

3           “(2) *TECHNICAL ADVICE.*—*At the request of the*  
 4           *partnership, the Director of the Bureau of the Census*  
 5           *and the Commissioner of Labor Statistics shall pro-*  
 6           *vide technical advice to the partnership on the selec-*  
 7           *tion of the indicators for the Civic Health Index.*

8           “(3) *UPDATES.*—*The partnership shall periodi-*  
 9           *cally evaluate and update the Civic Health Index,*  
 10          *and may expand or modify the indicators described*  
 11          *in subsection (d)(1) as necessary to carry out the pur-*  
 12          *poses of this section.*

13          “(d) *DATA ON THE INDICATORS.*—

14               “(1) *SPONSORED DATA COLLECTION.*—*In identi-*  
 15               *fying the civic health indicators for the Civic Health*  
 16               *Index, and obtaining data for the Index, the partner-*  
 17               *ship may sponsor the collection of data for the Index*  
 18               *or for the various civic health indicators being consid-*  
 19               *ered for inclusion in the Index, including indicators*  
 20               *related to—*

21                       “(A) *volunteering and community service;*

22                       “(B) *voting and other forms of political and*  
 23                       *civic engagement;*

24                       “(C) *charitable giving;*

1                   “(D) connecting to civic groups and faith-  
2                   based organizations;

3                   “(E) interest in employment, and careers,  
4                   in public service in the nonprofit sector or gov-  
5                   ernment;

6                   “(F) understanding and obtaining knowl-  
7                   edge of United States history and government;  
8                   and

9                   “(G) social enterprise and innovation.

10                  “(2) DATA FROM STATISTICAL AGENCIES.—The  
11                  Director of the Bureau of the Census and the Commis-  
12                  sioner of Labor Statistics shall collect annually, to the  
13                  extent practicable, data to inform the Civic Health  
14                  Index, and shall report such relevant data to the part-  
15                  nership. In determining the data to be collected, the  
16                  Director and the Commissioner shall examine privacy  
17                  issues, response rates, and other relevant issues.

18                  “(3) SOURCES OF DATA.—To obtain data for the  
19                  Civic Health Index, the partnership shall consider—

20                         “(A) data collected through public and pri-  
21                         vate sources; and

22                         “(B) data collected by the Bureau of the  
23                         Census, through the Current Population Survey,  
24                         or by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in accord-  
25                         ance with paragraph (2).

1           “(4) *DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS.*—*The*  
 2           *partnership shall seek to obtain data for the Civic*  
 3           *Health Index that will permit the partnership to ana-*  
 4           *lyze the data by age group, race and ethnicity, edu-*  
 5           *cation level, and other demographic characteristics of*  
 6           *the individuals involved.*

7           “(5) *OTHER ISSUES.*—*In obtaining data for the*  
 8           *Civic Health Index, the partnership may also obtain*  
 9           *such information as may be necessary to analyze—*

10               “(A) *the role of Internet technology in*  
 11               *strengthening and inhibiting civic activities;*

12               “(B) *the role of specific programs in*  
 13               *strengthening civic activities;*

14               “(C) *the civic attitudes and activities of*  
 15               *new citizens and immigrants; and*

16               “(D) *other areas related to civic activities.*

17           “(e) *REPORTING OF DATA.*—

18               “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The partnership shall, not*  
 19               *less often than once each year, prepare a report con-*  
 20               *taining—*

21               “(A) *detailed data obtained under sub-*  
 22               *section (d), including data on any indicators de-*  
 23               *scribed in subsection (d)(1) that are included in*  
 24               *the Civic Health Index; and*

1           “(B) the analyses described in paragraphs  
 2           (4) and (5) of subsection (d), to the extent prac-  
 3           ticable based on the data the partnership is able  
 4           to obtain.

5           “(2) AGGREGATION AND PRESENTATION.—The  
 6           partnership shall, to the extent practicable, aggregate  
 7           the data obtained under subsection (d) by community,  
 8           by State, and nationally. The report described in  
 9           paragraph (1) shall present the aggregated data in a  
 10          form that enables communities and States to assess  
 11          their civic health, as measured on each of the indica-  
 12          tors comprising the Civic Health Index, and compare  
 13          those measures with comparable measures of other  
 14          communities and States.

15          “(3) SUBMISSION.—The partnership shall submit  
 16          the report to the authorizing committees, and make  
 17          the report available to the general public on the Cor-  
 18          poration’s website.

19          “(f) PUBLIC INPUT.—The partnership shall—

20               “(1) identify opportunities for public dialogue  
 21               and input on the Civic Health Index; and

22               “(2) hold conferences and forums to discuss the  
 23               implications of the data and analyses reported under  
 24               subsection (e).

25          “(g) VOLUNTEERING RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.—



1           “(1) *RESEARCH.*—The partnership shall provide  
2     for baseline research and tracking of domestic and  
3     international volunteering, and baseline research and  
4     tracking related to relevant data on the indicators de-  
5     scribed in subsection (d). In providing for the re-  
6     search and tracking under this subsection, the part-  
7     nership shall consider data from the Supplements to  
8     the Current Populations Surveys conducted by the  
9     Bureau of the Census for the Bureau of Labor Statis-  
10    tics, and data from other public and private sources,  
11    including other data collected by the Bureau of the  
12    Census and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

13           “(2) *IMPACT RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.*—The  
14    partnership shall sponsor an independent evaluation  
15    of the impact of domestic and international volun-  
16    teering, including an assessment of best practices for  
17    such volunteering, and methods of improving such  
18    volunteering through enhanced collaboration among  
19    entities that recruit, manage, support, and utilize vol-  
20    unteers, institutions of higher education, and research  
21    institutions.

22           “(h) *DATABASE PROHIBITION.*—Nothing in this Act  
23    shall be construed to authorize the development, implemen-  
24    tation, or maintenance of a Federal database of personally  
25    identifiable information on individuals participating in

1 *data collection for sources of information under this sec-*  
 2 *tion.”.*

3 **SEC. 1609. CONTINGENT EXTENSION.**

4 *Section 181 (42 U.S.C. 12641) is amended by striking*  
 5 *“Section 414” and inserting “Section 422”.*

6 **SEC. 1610. PARTNERSHIPS WITH SCHOOLS.**

7 *Section 182(b) (42 U.S.C. 12642(b)) is amended to*  
 8 *read as follows:*

9 *“(b) REPORT.—*

10 *“(1) FEDERAL AGENCY SUBMISSION.—The head*  
 11 *of each Federal agency and department shall prepare*  
 12 *and submit to the Corporation a report concerning*  
 13 *the implementation of this section, including an eval-*  
 14 *uation of the performance goals and benchmarks of*  
 15 *each partnership program of the agency or depart-*  
 16 *ment.*

17 *“(2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Corporation*  
 18 *shall prepare and submit to the authorizing commit-*  
 19 *tees a compilation of the information received under*  
 20 *paragraph (1).”.*

21 **SEC. 1611. RIGHTS OF ACCESS, EXAMINATION, AND COPY-**  
 22 **ING.**

23 *Section 183 (42 U.S.C. 12643) is amended—*  
 24 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

1           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
 2           by striking “The” and inserting “Consistent  
 3           with otherwise applicable law, the”; and

4           (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting “terri-  
 5           tory,” after “local government,”;

6           (2) in subsection (b)—

7           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
 8           by striking “The” and inserting “Consistent  
 9           with otherwise applicable law, the”; and

10          (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting “terri-  
 11          tory” after “local government,”; and

12          (3) by adding at the end the following:

13          “(c) INSPECTOR GENERAL.—Consistent with otherwise  
 14          applicable law, the Inspector General of the Corporation  
 15          shall have access to, and the right to examine and copy,  
 16          any books, documents, papers, records, and other recorded  
 17          information in any form—

18               “(1) within the possession or control of the Cor-  
 19               poration or any State or local government, territory,  
 20               Indian tribe, or public or private nonprofit organiza-  
 21               tion receiving assistance directly or indirectly under  
 22               the national service laws; and

23               “(2) that relates to—

24               “(A) such assistance; and

1                   “(B) *the duties of the Inspector General*  
 2                   *under the Inspector General Act of 1978.*”.

3   **SEC. 1612. ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.**

4           *Subtitle F of title I (42 U.S.C. 12631 et seq.) is amend-*  
 5   *ed by adding at the end the following:*

6   **“SEC. 185. CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION AND REPORTING**  
 7                   **REQUIREMENTS.**

8           “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*To promote efficiency and elimi-*  
 9   *nate duplicative requirements, the Corporation shall con-*  
 10   *solidate or modify application procedures and reporting re-*  
 11   *quirements for programs, projects, and activities funded*  
 12   *under the national service laws.*

13          “(b) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.*—*Not later than 18*  
 14   *months after the date of enactment of the Serve America*  
 15   *Act, the Corporation shall submit to the authorizing com-*  
 16   *mittees a report containing information on the actions*  
 17   *taken to modify the application procedures and reporting*  
 18   *requirements for programs and activities funded under the*  
 19   *national service laws, including a description of the con-*  
 20   *sultation procedures with grantees.*

21   **“SEC. 186. SUSTAINABILITY.**

22          *“The Corporation, after consultation with State Com-*  
 23   *missions and recipients of assistance, may set sustain-*  
 24   *ability goals for projects or programs under the national*  
 25   *service laws, so that recipients of assistance under the na-*

1 *tional service laws are carrying out sustainable projects or*  
 2 *programs. Such sustainability goals shall be in writing and*  
 3 *shall—*

4           “(1) *build the capacity of the projects or pro-*  
 5 *grams that receive assistance under the national serv-*  
 6 *ice laws to meet community needs;*

7           “(2) *provide technical assistance to aid recipi-*  
 8 *ents in acquiring and leveraging non-Federal funds*  
 9 *for support of projects or programs that receive such*  
 10 *assistance by the national service laws; and*

11           “(3) *determine whether the projects or programs,*  
 12 *receiving such assistance are generating sufficient*  
 13 *community support.*

14 **“SEC. 187. GRANT PERIODS.**

15           “*Unless otherwise specifically provided, the Corpora-*  
 16 *tion has authority to award a grant or contract, or enter*  
 17 *into a cooperative agreement, under the national service*  
 18 *laws for a period of 3 years.*

19 **“SEC. 188. LIMITATION ON PROGRAM GRANT COSTS.**

20           “(a) *LIMITATION ON GRANT AMOUNTS.—Except as*  
 21 *otherwise provided by this section, the amount of funds ap-*  
 22 *proved by the Corporation in a grant to operate a program*  
 23 *authorized under the national service laws supporting indi-*  
 24 *viduals serving in approved national service positions may*  
 25 *not exceed \$18,000 per full-time equivalent position.*

1       “(b) *COSTS SUBJECT TO LIMITATION.*—*The limitation*  
 2   *under subsection (a) applies to the Corporation’s share of*  
 3   *the member support costs, staff costs, and other costs in-*  
 4   *curred by the recipient of assistance under the national*  
 5   *service laws to operate a program.*

6       “(c) *COSTS NOT SUBJECT TO LIMITATION.*—*The limi-*  
 7   *tation under subsection (a), and the increased limitation*  
 8   *under subsection (e)(1), shall not apply to expenses that are*  
 9   *not included in the grant awards to operate programs.*

10      “(d) *ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION.*—*The amounts*  
 11   *specified in subsections (a) and (e)(1) shall be adjusted each*  
 12   *year after 2008 for inflation as measured by the Consumer*  
 13   *Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Sec-*  
 14   *retary of Labor.*

15      “(e) *WAIVER AUTHORITY AND REPORTING REQUIRE-*  
 16   *MENT.*—

17           “(1) *WAIVER.*—*The Chief Executive Officer may*  
 18    *increase the limitation under subsection (a) to not*  
 19    *more than \$19,500 per full-time equivalent position if*  
 20    *necessary to meet the compelling needs of a particular*  
 21    *program, such as—*

22                   “(A) *exceptional training needs for a pro-*  
 23                   *gram serving disadvantaged youth;*

24                   “(B) *increased costs relating to the partici-*  
 25                   *pation of individuals with disabilities;*

1           “(C) tribal programs or programs located  
2           in the territories; and

3           “(D) start-up costs associated with a first-  
4           time recipient of assistance under a program of  
5           the national service laws.

6           “(2) *REPORTS.*—The Chief Executive Officer  
7           shall report to the authorizing committees annually  
8           on all limitations increased under this subsection,  
9           with an explanation of the compelling needs justi-  
10          fying such increases.

11   **“SEC. 189. AUDITS AND REPORTS.**

12          “The Corporation shall comply with applicable audit  
13          and reporting requirements as provided in the Chief Finan-  
14          cial Officers Act of 1990 (31 U.S.C. 501 et seq.) and the  
15          Government Corporation Control Act of 1945 (31 U.S.C.  
16          9101 et seq.). The Corporation shall report to the author-  
17          izing committees any failure to comply with the require-  
18          ments of such audits.

19   **“SEC. 189A. CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS.**

20          “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Each entity selecting individuals  
21          to serve in a position in which the individuals receive a  
22          living allowance, stipend, national service educational  
23          award, or salary through a program receiving assistance  
24          under the national service laws, shall, subject to regulations

1 *and requirements established by the Corporation, conduct*  
 2 *criminal history checks for such individuals.*

3 “(b) *REQUIREMENTS.—A criminal history check under*  
 4 *subsection (a) shall, except in cases approved for good cause*  
 5 *by the Corporation, include—*

6 “(1) *a name-based search of the National Sex Of-*  
 7 *fender Registry established under the Adam Walsh*  
 8 *Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (42 U.S.C.*  
 9 *16901 et seq.); and*

10 “(2)(A) *a search of the State criminal registry or*  
 11 *repository in the State in which the program is oper-*  
 12 *ating and the State in which the individual resides*  
 13 *at the time of application; or*

14 “(B) *submitting fingerprints to the Federal Bu-*  
 15 *reau of Investigation for a national criminal history*  
 16 *background check.*

17 “(c) *ELIGIBILITY PROHIBITION.—An individual shall*  
 18 *be ineligible to serve in a position described under sub-*  
 19 *section (a) if such individual—*

20 “(1) *refuses to consent to the criminal history*  
 21 *check described in subsection (b);*

22 “(2) *makes a false statement in connection with*  
 23 *such criminal history check;*

24 “(3) *is registered, or is required to be registered,*  
 25 *on a State sex offender registry or the National Sex*



1        *Offender Registry established under the Adam Walsh*  
 2        *Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (42 U.S.C.*  
 3        *16901 et seq.); or*

4                *“(4) has been convicted of murder, as described*  
 5        *in section 1111 of title 18, United States Code.”.*

6        ***Subtitle G—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 7        ***G (Corporation for National and***  
 8        ***Community Service)***

9        ***SEC. 1701. TERMS OF OFFICE.***

10        *Section 192 (42 U.S.C. 12651a) is amended—*

11                *(1) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the*  
 12        *following:*

13                *“(c) TERMS.—Subject to subsection (e), each appointed*  
 14        *member shall serve for a term of 5 years.”;*

15                *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

16                *“(e) SERVICE UNTIL APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR.—*  
 17        *A voting member of the Board whose term has expired may*  
 18        *continue to serve on the Board until the date on which the*  
 19        *member’s successor takes office, which period shall not ex-*  
 20        *ceed 1 year.”.*

21        ***SEC. 1702. BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORITIES AND DU-***  
 22        ***TIES.***

23        *Section 192A(g) (42 U.S.C. 12651b(g)) is amended—*

24                *(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by*  
 25        *striking “shall—” and inserting “shall have responsi-*

1        *bility for setting overall policy for the Corporation*  
 2        *and shall—”;*

3            (2) *in paragraph (1), by inserting before the*  
 4        *semicolon at the end the following: “, and review the*  
 5        *budget proposal in advance of submission to the Of-*  
 6        *fice of Management and Budget”;*

7            (3) *in paragraph (5)—*

8            (A) *in subparagraph (A), by striking “and”*  
 9        *at the end;*

10          (B) *in subparagraph (B), by inserting*  
 11        *“and” after the semicolon; and*

12          (C) *by adding at the end the following:*

13        *“(C) review the performance of the Chief Execu-*  
 14        *tive Officer annually and forward a report on that re-*  
 15        *view to the President;”;*

16          (4) *in paragraph (8), by striking “the Congress”*  
 17        *each place it occurs and inserting “the authorizing*  
 18        *committees”;*

19          (5) *by striking paragraph (10) and inserting the*  
 20        *following:*

21        *“(10) notwithstanding any other provision of*  
 22        *law—*

23            *“(A) make grants to or contracts with Fed-*  
 24            *eral and other public departments or agencies,*  
 25            *and private nonprofit organizations, for the as-*

1        *signment or referral of volunteers under the pro-*  
 2        *visions of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Serv-*  
 3        *ice Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.) (except*  
 4        *as provided in section 108 of such Act), which*  
 5        *may provide that the agency or organization*  
 6        *shall pay all or a part of the costs of the pro-*  
 7        *gram; and*

8                *“(B) enter into agreements with other Fed-*  
 9        *eral agencies or private nonprofit organizations*  
 10        *for the support of programs under the national*  
 11        *service laws, which—*

12                *“(i) may provide that the agency or*  
 13        *organization shall pay all or a part of the*  
 14        *costs of the program; and*

15                *“(ii) shall provide that the program*  
 16        *(including any program operated by an-*  
 17        *other Federal agency) will comply with all*  
 18        *requirements related to evaluation, perform-*  
 19        *ance, and other goals applicable to similar*  
 20        *programs under the national service laws,*  
 21        *as determined by the Corporation.”;*

22        *(6) in paragraph (11)—*

23                *(A) by striking “Congress” each place it oc-*  
 24        *curs and inserting “authorizing committees”;*

1                   (B) by striking “section 193A(b)(10)” and  
 2                   inserting “section 193A(b)(11)”; and

3                   (C) by striking “September 30, 1995” and  
 4                   inserting “January 1, 2012”.

5 **SEC. 1703. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION.**

6           Section 193(b) (42 U.S.C. 12651c(b)) is amended by  
 7           striking the period and inserting “, plus 3 percent.”.

8 **SEC. 1704. AUTHORITIES AND DUTIES OF THE CHIEF EXEC-**  
 9                   **UTIVE OFFICER.**

10          Section 193A (42 U.S.C. 12651d) is amended—

11               (1) in subsection (b)—

12                   (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
 13                   by striking “shall—” and inserting “, in collabo-  
 14                   ration with the State Commissions,  
 15                   shall—”;

16                   (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting after “a  
 17                   strategic plan” the following: “, including a plan  
 18                   for having 50 percent of all approved national  
 19                   service positions be full-time positions by 2012,”;

20                   (C) by redesignating paragraphs (7)  
 21                   through (11) as paragraphs (8) through (12), re-  
 22                   spectively;

23                   (D) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-  
 24                   lowing:

1           “(7) prepare and submit to the authorizing com-  
 2           mittees and the Board an annual report on actions  
 3           taken to achieve the goal of having 50 percent of all  
 4           approved national service positions be full-time posi-  
 5           tions by 2012 as described in paragraph (1), includ-  
 6           ing an assessment of the progress made toward  
 7           achieving that goal and the actions to be taken in the  
 8           coming year toward achieving that goal;”;

9           (E) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
 10          (A) of paragraph (10) (as so redesignated), by  
 11          striking “appropriate committees of Congress”  
 12          and inserting “authorizing committees”;

13          (F) in paragraph (11) (as so redesign-  
 14          ated)—

15               (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
 16               graph (A), by striking “June 30, 1995,”  
 17               and inserting “periodically,”;

18               (ii) in subparagraph (A)(i)—

19                       (I) by striking “described in sec-  
 20                       tion 122(c)(1)”;

21                       (II) by striking “national prior-  
 22                       ities designed to meet the” and insert-  
 23                       ing “national priorities, as described  
 24                       in section 122(g)(1), designed to meet”;  
 25                       and

1                   (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking

2                   “and” after a semicolon;

3                   (G) in paragraph (12) (as so redesignated),

4                   by striking the period at the end and inserting

5                   a semicolon; and

6                   (H) by adding at the end the following:

7                   “(13) bolster the public awareness of and recruit-  
8                   ment efforts for the wide range of service opportuni-  
9                   ties for citizens of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic  
10                  status or geographic location, through a variety of  
11                  methods, including—

12                  “(A) print media;

13                  “(B) the Internet and related emerging tech-  
14                  nologies;

15                  “(C) television;

16                  “(D) radio;

17                  “(E) presentations at public or private fo-  
18                  rums;

19                  “(F) other innovative methods of commu-  
20                  nication; and

21                  “(G) outreach to offices of economic develop-  
22                  ment, State employment security agencies, labor  
23                  organizations and trade associations, local edu-  
24                  cational agencies, institutions of higher edu-  
25                  cation, agencies and organizations serving vet-

1        *erans and individuals with disabilities, and*  
2        *other institutions or organizations from which*  
3        *participants for programs receiving assistance*  
4        *from the national service laws can be recruited;*  
5        *“(14) identify and implement methods of recruit-*  
6        *ment to—*

7                *“(A) increase the diversity of participants*  
8        *in the programs receiving assistance under the*  
9        *national service laws; and*

10               *“(B) increase the diversity of service spon-*  
11        *sors of programs desiring to receive assistance*  
12        *under the national service laws;*

13               *“(15) coordinate with organizations of former*  
14        *participants of national service programs for service*  
15        *opportunities that may include capacity building,*  
16        *outreach, and recruitment for programs receiving as-*  
17        *sistance under the national service laws;*

18               *“(16) collaborate with organizations with dem-*  
19        *onstrated expertise in supporting and accommodating*  
20        *individuals with disabilities, including institutions of*  
21        *higher education, to identify and implement methods*  
22        *of recruitment to increase the number of participants*  
23        *who are individuals with disabilities in the programs*  
24        *receiving assistance under the national service laws;*

1           “(17) identify and implement recruitment strate-  
2           gies and training programs for bilingual volunteers  
3           in the National Senior Service Corps under title II  
4           of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973;

5           “(18) collaborate with organizations that have  
6           established volunteer recruitment programs to in-  
7           crease the recruitment capacity of the Corporation;

8           “(19) where practicable, provide application ma-  
9           terials in languages other than English for those with  
10          limited English proficiency who wish to participate  
11          in a national service program;

12          “(20) collaborate with the training and technical  
13          assistance programs described in subtitle J with re-  
14          spect to the activities described in section 199N(b));

15          “(21) coordinate the clearinghouses described in  
16          section 198O;

17          “(22) coordinate with entities receiving funds  
18          under subtitle C in establishing the National Service  
19          Reserve Corps under section 198H, through which  
20          alumni of the national service programs and veterans  
21          can serve in disasters and emergencies (as such terms  
22          are defined in section 198H(a));

23          “(23) identify and implement strategies to in-  
24          crease awareness among Indian tribes of the types  
25          and availability of assistance under the national serv-



1        *ice laws, increase Native American participation in*  
 2        *programs under the national service laws, and collect*  
 3        *information on challenges facing Native American*  
 4        *communities;*

5            *“(24) conduct outreach to ensure the inclusion of*  
 6        *economically disadvantaged individuals in national*  
 7        *service programs and activities authorized under the*  
 8        *national service laws; and*

9            *“(25) ensure that outreach, awareness, and re-*  
 10        *ruitment efforts are consistent with the Americans*  
 11        *with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et*  
 12        *seq.) and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of*  
 13        *1973 (29 U.S.C. 794).”;*

14            *(2) in subsection (c)—*

15            *(A) in paragraph (9)—*

16            *(i) by striking “Congress” each place*  
 17        *the term occurs and inserting “the author-*  
 18        *izing committees”;* and

19            *(ii) by striking “and” at the end;*

20            *(B) by redesignating paragraph (10) as*  
 21        *paragraph (11); and*

22            *(C) by inserting after paragraph (9) the fol-*  
 23        *lowing:*

1           “(10) obtain the opinions of peer reviewers in  
2           evaluating applications to the Corporation for assist-  
3           ance under this title; and”;

4           (3) in subsection (f)(2)(B), by striking “date  
5           specified in subsection (b)(10)” and inserting “the  
6           first date that a report is submitted under subsection  
7           (b)(11) after the date of enactment of the Serve Amer-  
8           ica Act”; and

9           (4) by adding at the end the following:

10          “(h) *AUTHORITY TO CONTRACT WITH BUSINESSES.*—  
11          *The Chief Executive Officer may, through contracts or coop-*  
12          *erative agreements, carry out the marketing duties described*  
13          *in subsection (b)(13), with priority given to those entities*  
14          *who have established expertise in the recruitment of dis-*  
15          *advantaged youth, members of Indian tribes, and older*  
16          *adults.*

17          “(i) *CAMPAIGN TO SOLICIT FUNDS.*—*The Chief Execu-*  
18          *tive Officer may conduct a campaign to solicit funds to con-*  
19          *duct outreach and recruitment campaigns to recruit a di-*  
20          *verse population of service sponsors of, and participants in,*  
21          *programs and projects receiving assistance under the na-*  
22          *tional service laws.”.*

23          **SEC. 1705. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER STATUS.**

24          *Section 194(c) (42 U.S.C. 12651e(c)) is amended—*

(1) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2) and inserting the following:

“(1) *IN GENERAL.*—There shall be in the Corporation a Chief Financial Officer, who shall be appointed by the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) of section 195.”; and

(2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2).

**SEC. 1706. NONVOTING MEMBERS; PERSONAL SERVICES**

**CONTRACTS.**

Section 195 (42 U.S.C. 12651f) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting after “subdivision of a State,” the following: “Territory,”; and

(B) in paragraph (3)—

(i) in the heading, by striking “MEMBER” and inserting “NONVOTING MEMBER”;

and

(ii) by inserting “nonvoting” before “member”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(g) *PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS.*—The Corporation may enter into personal services contracts to carry out

1 *research, evaluation, and public awareness related to the*  
 2 *national service laws.”.*

3 **SEC. 1707. DONATED SERVICES.**

4 *Section 196(a) (42 U.S.C. 12651g(a)) is amended—*  
 5 *(1) in paragraph (1)—*

6 *(A) by striking subparagraph (A) and in-*  
 7 *serting the following:*

8 *“(A) ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS.—*  
 9 *Notwithstanding section 1342 of title 31, United*  
 10 *States Code, the Corporation may solicit and ac-*  
 11 *cept the services of organizations and individuals*  
 12 *(other than participants) to assist the Corpora-*  
 13 *tion in carrying out the duties of the Corpora-*  
 14 *tion under the national service laws, and may*  
 15 *provide to such individuals the travel expenses*  
 16 *described in section 192A(d).”;*

17 *(B) in subparagraph (B)—*

18 *(i) in the matter preceding clause (i),*  
 19 *by striking “Such a volunteer” and insert-*  
 20 *ing “A person who provides assistance, ei-*  
 21 *ther individually or as a member of an or-*  
 22 *ganization, in accordance with subpara-*  
 23 *graph (A).”;*

1                   (ii) in clause (i), by striking “a volun-  
 2                   teer under this subtitle” and inserting “such  
 3                   a person”;

4                   (iii) in clause (ii), by striking “volun-  
 5                   teers under this subtitle” and inserting  
 6                   “such persons”; and

7                   (iv) in clause (iii), by striking “such a  
 8                   volunteer” and inserting “such a person”;  
 9                   and

10                  (C) in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking  
 11                  “Such a volunteer” and inserting “Such a per-  
 12                  son”; and

13                  (2) by striking paragraph (3).

14   **SEC. 1708. DELEGATION TO STATES.**

15                  Subtitle G of title I (42 U.S.C. 12651 et seq.) is further  
 16   amended by adding at the end the following:

17   **“SEC. 196B. DELEGATION TO STATES.**

18                  “(a) *DELEGATION.*—In accordance with section  
 19   193A(c)(1), the Chief Executive Officer may delegate to  
 20   States specific programmatic functions upon a determina-  
 21   tion that such a delegation will increase efficiency in the  
 22   operation or oversight of a program under the national  
 23   service laws. In carrying out this section, and before exe-  
 24   cuting any delegation of authority, the Corporation shall  
 25   seek input from and consult corporation employees, State

1 *commissions, State educational agencies, and other inter-*  
 2 *ested stakeholders.*

3       “(b) *REPORT.*—Not later than 2 years after the date  
 4 of enactment of the Serve America Act, the Corporation  
 5 shall submit a report to the authorizing committees describ-  
 6 ing the consultation process described in subsection (a), in-  
 7 cluding the stakeholders consulted, the recommendation of  
 8 stakeholders, and any delegation actions taken by the Cor-  
 9 poration.”.

10 **SEC. 1709. STUDY OF INVOLVEMENT OF VETERANS.**

11       *Subtitle G of title I (42 U.S.C. 12651 et seq.) is further*  
 12 *amended by adding at the end the following:*

13 **“SEC. 196C. STUDY OF INVOLVEMENT OF VETERANS.**

14       “(a) *STUDY AND REPORT.*—The Corporation shall  
 15 conduct a study and submit a report to the authorizing  
 16 committees, not later than 3 years after the enactment of  
 17 this section, on—

18               “(1) *the number of veterans serving in national*  
 19 *service programs historically by year;*

20               “(2) *strategies being undertaken to identify the*  
 21 *specific areas of need of veterans, including any goals*  
 22 *set by the Corporation for veterans participating in*  
 23 *the service programs;*

24               “(3) *the impact of the strategies described in*  
 25 *paragraph (2) and the Veterans Corps on enabling*

1       *greater participation by veterans in the national serv-*  
2       *ice programs carried out under the national service*  
3       *laws;*

4           “(4) *how existing programs and activities car-*  
5       *ried out under the national service laws could be im-*  
6       *proved to serve veterans, veterans service organiza-*  
7       *tions, families of active-duty military, including gaps*  
8       *in services to veterans;*

9           “(5) *the extent to which existing programs and*  
10       *activities carried out under the national service laws*  
11       *are coordinated and recommendations to improve*  
12       *such coordination including the methods for ensuring*  
13       *the efficient financial organization of services directed*  
14       *towards veterans; and*

15          “(6) *how to improve utilization of veterans as re-*  
16       *sources and volunteers.*

17          “(b) *CONSULTATION.—In conducting the studies and*  
18       *preparing the reports required under this subsection, the*  
19       *Corporation shall consult with veterans’ service organiza-*  
20       *tions, the Department of Veterans Affairs, State veterans*  
21       *agencies, the Department of Defense, as appropriate, and*  
22       *other individuals and entities the Corporation considers ap-*  
23       *propriate.”.*

1 **SEC. 1710. STUDY TO EXAMINE AND INCREASE SERVICE**  
2 **PROGRAMS FOR DISPLACED WORKERS IN**  
3 **SERVICES CORPS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**  
4 **AND TO DEVELOP PILOT PROGRAM PLAN-**  
5 **NING STUDY.**

6 (a) *PLANNING STUDY.*—*The Corporation for National*  
7 *and Community Service (referred to in this section as the*  
8 *“Corporation”)* shall conduct a study to identify—

9 (1) *specific areas of need for displaced workers;*

10 (2) *how existing programs and activities (as of*  
11 *the time of the study) carried out under the National*  
12 *and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.*  
13 *12501 et seq.) and the Domestic Volunteer Service Act*  
14 *of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.) could better serve dis-*  
15 *placed workers and communities that have been ad-*  
16 *versely affected by plant closings and job losses;*

17 (3) *prospects for better utilization of displaced*  
18 *workers as resources and volunteers; and*

19 (4) *methods for ensuring the efficient financial*  
20 *organization of services directed towards displaced*  
21 *workers.*

22 (b) *CONSULTATION.*—*The study shall be carried out in*  
23 *consultation with the Department of Labor, State labor*  
24 *agencies, and other individuals and entities the Corporation*  
25 *considers appropriate.*



1       (c) *REPORT.*—Not later than 1 year after the date of  
 2   enactment of this Act, the Corporation shall submit to the  
 3   Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Rep-  
 4   resentatives and the Committee on Health, Education,  
 5   Labor, and Pensions of the Senate a report on the results  
 6   of the planning study required by subsection (a), together  
 7   with a plan for implementation of a pilot program using  
 8   promising strategies and approaches for better targeting  
 9   and serving displaced workers.

10       (d) *PILOT PROGRAM.*—From amounts made available  
 11   to carry out this section, the Corporation shall develop and  
 12   carry out a pilot program based on the findings and plan  
 13   in the report submitted under subsection (c).

14       (e) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—There are  
 15   authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such  
 16   sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2010  
 17   through 2014.

18   **SEC. 1711. STUDY TO EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF**  
 19       **AGENCY COORDINATION.**

20       (a) *STUDY.*—In order to reduce administrative bur-  
 21   dens and lower costs for national service programs carried  
 22   out under the national service laws, the Corporation shall  
 23   conduct a study to determine the feasibility and effective-  
 24   ness of implementing a data matching system under which  
 25   the statements of an individual declaring that such indi-

1 *vidual is in compliance with the requirements of section*  
 2 *146(a)(3) of the National and Community Service Act of*  
 3 *1990 (42 U.S.C. 12602(a)(3)) shall be verified by the Cor-*  
 4 *poration by comparing information provided by the indi-*  
 5 *vidual with information relevant to such a declaration in*  
 6 *the possession of other Federal agencies. Such study shall—*

7 *(1) review the feasibility of—*

8 *(A) expanding, and participating in, the*  
 9 *data matching conducted by the Department of*  
 10 *Education with the Social Security Administra-*  
 11 *tion and the Department of Homeland Security,*  
 12 *pursuant to section 484(g) of the Higher Edu-*  
 13 *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1091(g)); or*

14 *(B) establishing a comparable system of*  
 15 *data matching with the Social Security Admin-*  
 16 *istration and the Department of Homeland Secu-*  
 17 *rity; and*

18 *(2) identify—*

19 *(A) the costs, for both the Corporation and*  
 20 *the other Federal agencies identified in para-*  
 21 *graph (1), associated with expanding or estab-*  
 22 *lishing such a system of data matching;*

23 *(B) the benefits or detriments of such an ex-*  
 24 *panded or comparable system both for the Cor-*

1           poration and for the other Federal agencies so  
2           identified;

3           (C) strategies for ensuring the privacy and  
4           security of participant information that is  
5           shared between Federal agencies and organiza-  
6           tions receiving assistance under the national  
7           service laws;

8           (D) the information that needs to be shared  
9           in order to fulfill the eligibility requirements of  
10          section 146(a)(3) of the National and Commu-  
11          nity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.  
12          12602(a)(3));

13          (E) an alternative system through which an  
14          individual's compliance with section 146(a)(3) of  
15          such Act may be verified, should such an ex-  
16          panded or comparable system fail to verify the  
17          individual's declaration of compliance; and

18          (F) recommendations for implementation of  
19          such an expanded or comparable system.

20          (b) CONSULTATION.—The Corporation shall carry out  
21          the study in consultation with the Secretary of Education,  
22          the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration,  
23          the Secretary of Homeland Security, and other Federal  
24          agencies, entities, and individuals that the Corporation con-  
25          siders appropriate.

1       (c) *REPORT*.—Not later than 9 months after the date  
 2 of the enactment of this Act, the Corporation shall submit  
 3 to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the  
 4 results of the study required by subsection (a) and a plan  
 5 for implementation of a pilot data matching program using  
 6 promising strategies and approaches identified in such  
 7 study, if the Corporation determines such program to be  
 8 feasible.

9       (d) *PILOT PROGRAM*.—From amounts made available  
 10 to carry out this section, the Corporation may develop and  
 11 carry out a pilot data matching program based on the re-  
 12 port submitted under subsection (c).

13       (e) *DEFINITION*.—In this section, the term “national  
 14 service laws” means the National and Community Service  
 15 Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.) and the Domestic  
 16 Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.).

17 ***Subtitle H—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 18 ***H (Investment for Quality and***  
 19 ***Innovation)***

20 ***SEC. 1801. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO SUBTITLE H.***

21       *Subtitle H of title I (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.) is*  
 22 *amended by inserting after the subtitle heading and before*  
 23 *section 198 the following:*

1 **“PART I—ADDITIONAL CORPORATION ACTIVITIES**  
 2 **TO SUPPORT NATIONAL SERVICE”.**

3 **SEC. 1802. ADDITIONAL CORPORATION ACTIVITIES TO SUP-**  
 4 **PORT NATIONAL SERVICE.**

5 (a) *TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.*—Section 198 (42  
 6 *U.S.C. 12653*) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “subsection (r)”  
 8 and inserting “subsection (g)”;

9 (2) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) of  
 10 subsection (b), by striking “to improve the quality”  
 11 and all that follows through “including—” and in-  
 12 serting “to address emergent needs through summer  
 13 programs and other activities, and to support service-  
 14 learning programs and national service programs, in-  
 15 cluding—”; and

16 (3) by striking subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), (h),  
 17 (i), (j), (l), (m), and (p) and redesignating sub-  
 18 sections (g), (k), (n), (o), (q), (r), and (s) as sub-  
 19 sections (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), and (i), respectively.

20 (b) *CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN AND SEPTEMBER*  
 21 *11TH DAY OF SERVICE.*—Section 198 (as amended by sub-  
 22 section (a)) (42 *U.S.C. 12653*) is further amended by add-  
 23 ing at the end the following:

24 “(j) *CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN.*—Not less than 180  
 25 days after the date of enactment of the Serve America Act,  
 26 the Corporation shall conduct a nationwide ‘Call To Serv-

1 ice’ campaign, to encourage all people of the United States,  
 2 regardless of age, race, ethnicity, religion, or economic sta-  
 3 tus, to engage in full- or part-time national service, long-  
 4 or short-term public service in the nonprofit sector or gov-  
 5 ernment, or volunteering. In conducting the campaign, the  
 6 Corporation may collaborate with other Federal agencies  
 7 and entities, State Commissions, Governors, nonprofit and  
 8 faith-based organizations, businesses, institutions of higher  
 9 education, elementary schools, and secondary schools.

10 “(k) *SEPTEMBER 11TH DAY OF SERVICE.*—

11 “(1) *FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.*—The Corporation  
 12 may organize and carry out appropriate ceremonies  
 13 and activities, which may include activities that are  
 14 part of the broader Call to Service Campaign under  
 15 subsection (j), in order to observe the September 11th  
 16 National Day of Service and Remembrance at the  
 17 Federal level.

18 “(2) *ACTIVITIES.*—The Corporation may make  
 19 grants and provide other support to community-based  
 20 organizations to assist in planning and carrying out  
 21 appropriate service, charity, and remembrance oppor-  
 22 tunities in conjunction with the September 11th Na-  
 23 tional Day of Service and Remembrance.

24 “(3) *CONSULTATION.*—The Corporation may  
 25 consult with and make grants or provide other forms

1       of support to nonprofit organizations with expertise  
 2       in representing families of victims of the September  
 3       11, 2001 terrorist attacks and other impacted con-  
 4       stituencies, and in promoting the establishment of  
 5       September 11 as an annually recognized National  
 6       Day of Service and Remembrance.”.

7   **SEC. 1803. REPEALS.**

8       (a) *REPEALS.*—The following provisions are repealed:

9           (1) *CLEARINGHOUSES.*—Section 198A (42  
 10       U.S.C. 12653a).

11           (2) *MILITARY INSTALLATION CONVERSION DEM-*  
 12       *ONSTRATION PROGRAMS.*—Section 198C (42 U.S.C.  
 13       12653c).

14           (3) *SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.*—Sec-  
 15       tion 198D (42 U.S.C. 12653d).

16       (b) *REDESIGNATION.*—Section 198B (42 U.S.C.  
 17       12653b) is redesignated as section 198A.

18   **SEC. 1804. PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS.**

19       Section 198A(a)(2) (as redesignated by section  
 20       1803(b)) (42 U.S.C. 12653b(a)(2)) is further amended by  
 21       striking “section 101(19)” and inserting “section 101”.

22   **SEC. 1805. NEW FELLOWSHIPS.**

23       Part I of subtitle H (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.) is further  
 24       amended by adding at the end the following new sections:

1 **“SEC. 198B. SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIPS.**

2 “(a) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

3 “(1) *AREA OF NATIONAL NEED.—The term ‘area*  
4 *of national need’ means an area involved in efforts*  
5 *to—*

6 “(A) *improve education in schools for eco-*  
7 *nomically disadvantaged students;*

8 “(B) *expand and improve access to health*  
9 *care;*

10 “(C) *improve energy efficiency and conserve*  
11 *natural resources;*

12 “(D) *improve economic opportunities for*  
13 *economically disadvantaged individuals; or*

14 “(E) *improve disaster preparedness and re-*  
15 *sponse.*

16 “(2) *ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT.—The*  
17 *term ‘eligible fellowship recipient’ means an indi-*  
18 *vidual who is selected by a State Commission under*  
19 *subsection (c) and, as a result of such selection, is eli-*  
20 *gible for a ServeAmerica Fellowship.*

21 “(3) *FELLOW.—The term ‘fellow’ means an eligi-*  
22 *ble fellowship recipient who is awarded a*  
23 *ServeAmerica Fellowship and is designated a fellow*  
24 *under subsection (e)(2).*

25 “(b) *GRANTS.—*



1           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—From the amounts appro-  
 2           priated under section 501(a)(4)(B) and allotted under  
 3           paragraph (2)(A), the Corporation shall make grants  
 4           (including financial assistance and a corresponding  
 5           allotment of approved national service positions), to  
 6           the State Commission of each of the several States, the  
 7           District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puer-  
 8           to Rico with an application approved under this sec-  
 9           tion, to enable such State Commissions to award  
 10          *ServeAmerica Fellowships* under subsection (e).

11           “(2) *ALLOTMENT; ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.*—

12           “(A) *ALLOTMENT.*—The amount allotted to  
 13           a State Commission for a fiscal year shall be  
 14           equal to an amount that bears the same ratio to  
 15           the amount appropriated under section  
 16           501(a)(4)(B), as the population of the State  
 17           bears to the total population of the several  
 18           States, the District of Columbia, and the Com-  
 19           monwealth of Puerto Rico.

20           “(B) *REALLOTMENT.*—If a State Commis-  
 21           sion does not apply for an allotment under this  
 22           subsection for any fiscal year, or if the State  
 23           Commission’s application is not approved, the  
 24           Corporation shall reallocate the amount of the State  
 25           Commission’s allotment to the remaining State

1       *Commissions in accordance with subparagraph*  
 2       *(A).*

3               “(C) *ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.*—*Of the*  
 4       *amount allotted to a State Commission under*  
 5       *subparagraph (A), not more than 1.5 percent of*  
 6       *such amount may be used for administrative*  
 7       *costs.*

8               “(3) *NUMBER OF POSITIONS.*—*The Corporation*  
 9       *shall—*

10               “(A) *establish or increase the number of ap-*  
 11       *proved national service positions under this sub-*  
 12       *section during each of fiscal years 2010 through*  
 13       *2014;*

14               “(B) *establish the number of approved posi-*  
 15       *tions at 500 for fiscal year 2010; and*

16               “(C) *increase the number of the approved*  
 17       *positions to—*

18                       “(i) *750 for fiscal year 2011;*

19                       “(ii) *1,000 for fiscal year 2012;*

20                       “(iii) *1,250 for fiscal year 2013; and*

21                       “(iv) *1,500 for fiscal year 2014.*

22               “(4) *USES OF GRANT FUNDS.*—

23               “(A) *REQUIRED USES.*—*A grant awarded*  
 24       *under this subsection shall be used to enable fel-*

1           *lows to carry out service projects in areas of na-*  
 2           *tional need.*

3           “(B) *PERMITTED USES.*—*A grant awarded*  
 4           *under this subsection may be used for—*

5                   “(i) *oversight activities and mecha-*  
 6                   *nisms for the service sites of the fellows, as*  
 7                   *determined necessary by the State Commis-*  
 8                   *sion or the Corporation, which may include*  
 9                   *site visits;*

10                   “(ii) *activities to augment the experi-*  
 11                   *ence of fellows, including activities to en-*  
 12                   *gage the fellows in networking opportunities*  
 13                   *with other national service participants;*  
 14                   *and*

15                   “(iii) *recruitment or training activi-*  
 16                   *ties for fellows.*

17           “(5) *APPLICATIONS.*—*To be eligible to receive a*  
 18           *grant under this subsection, a State Commission shall*  
 19           *submit an application to the Corporation at such*  
 20           *time, in such manner, and containing such informa-*  
 21           *tion as the Corporation may require, including infor-*  
 22           *mation on the criteria and procedures that the State*  
 23           *Commission will use for overseeing ServeAmerica Fel-*  
 24           *lowship placements for service projects, under sub-*  
 25           *section (e).*

1 “(c) *ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS.*—

2 “(1) *APPLICATION.*—

3 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*An applicant desiring*  
 4 *to become an eligible fellowship recipient shall*  
 5 *submit an application to a State Commission*  
 6 *that has elected to participate in the program*  
 7 *authorized under this subsection, at such time*  
 8 *and in such manner as the Commission may re-*  
 9 *quire, and containing the information described*  
 10 *in subparagraph (B) and such additional infor-*  
 11 *mation as the Commission may require. An ap-*  
 12 *plicant may submit such application to only 1*  
 13 *State Commission for a fiscal year.*

14 “(B) *CONTENTS.*—*The Corporation shall*  
 15 *specify information to be provided in an appli-*  
 16 *cation submitted under this subsection, which*  
 17 *shall include—*

18 “(i) *a description of the area of na-*  
 19 *tional need that the applicant intends to*  
 20 *address in the service project;*

21 “(ii) *a description of the skills and ex-*  
 22 *perience the applicant has to address the*  
 23 *area of national need;*

1                   “(iii) a description of the type of serv-  
 2                   ice the applicant plans to provide as a fel-  
 3                   low; and

4                   “(iv) information identifying the local  
 5                   area within the State served by the Com-  
 6                   mission in which the applicant plans to  
 7                   serve for the service project.

8                   “(2) *SELECTION.*—Each State Commission shall  
 9                   select, from the applications received by the State  
 10                  Commission for a fiscal year, the number of eligible  
 11                  fellowship recipients that may be supported for that  
 12                  fiscal year based on the grant received by the State  
 13                  Commission under subsection (b).

14                  “(d) *SERVICE SPONSOR ORGANIZATIONS.*—

15                  “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Each service sponsor organi-  
 16                  zation shall—

17                         “(A) be a nonprofit organization;

18                         “(B) satisfy qualification criteria estab-  
 19                         lished by the Corporation or the State Commis-  
 20                         sion, including standards relating to organiza-  
 21                         tional capacity, financial management, and pro-  
 22                         grammatic oversight;

23                         “(C) not be a recipient of other assistance,  
 24                         approved national service positions, or approved

1       *summer of service positions under the national*  
 2       *service laws; and*

3               “(D) *at the time of registration with a*  
 4       *State Commission, enter into an agreement pro-*  
 5       *viding that the service sponsor organization*  
 6       *shall—*

7                       “(i) *abide by all program require-*  
 8                       *ments;*

9                       “(ii) *provide an amount described in*  
 10       *subsection (e)(3)(b) for each fellow serving*  
 11       *with the organization through the*  
 12       *ServeAmerica Fellowship;*

13                      “(iii) *be responsible for certifying*  
 14       *whether each fellow serving with the organi-*  
 15       *zation successfully completed the*  
 16       *ServeAmerica Fellowship, and record and*  
 17       *certify in a manner specified by the Cor-*  
 18       *poration the number of hours served by a*  
 19       *fellow for purposes of determining the fel-*  
 20       *low’s eligibility for benefits; and*

21                      “(iv) *provide timely access to records*  
 22       *relating to the ServeAmerica Fellowship to*  
 23       *the State Commission, the Corporation, and*  
 24       *the Inspector General of the Corporation.*

25       “(2) *REGISTRATION.—*

1           “(A) *REQUIREMENT.*—No service sponsor  
2           organization may receive a fellow under this  
3           subsection until the organization registers with  
4           the State Commission.

5           “(B) *CLEARINGHOUSE.*—The State Com-  
6           mission shall maintain a list of registered service  
7           sponsor organizations on a public website.

8           “(C) *REVOCATION.*—If a State Commission  
9           determines that a service sponsor organization is  
10          in violation of any of the applicable provisions  
11          of this section—

12               “(i) the State Commission shall revoke  
13               the registration of the organization;

14               “(ii) the organization shall not be eli-  
15               gible to receive assistance, approved na-  
16               tional service positions, or approved sum-  
17               mer of service positions under this title for  
18               not less than 5 years; and

19               “(iii) the State Commission shall have  
20               the right to remove a fellow from the orga-  
21               nization and relocate the fellow to another  
22               site.

23          “(e) *FELLOWS.*—

24               “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—To be eligible to participate  
25          in a service project as a fellow and receive a

1     *ServeAmerica Fellowship, an eligible fellowship re-*  
 2     *ipient shall—*

3             *“(A) within 3 months after being selected as*  
 4             *an eligible fellowship recipient by a State Com-*  
 5             *mission, select a registered service sponsor orga-*  
 6             *nization described in subsection (d)—*

7             *“(i) with which the recipient is inter-*  
 8             *ested in serving under this section; and*

9             *“(ii) that is located in the State served*  
 10            *by the State Commission;*

11            *“(B) enter into an agreement with the orga-*  
 12            *nization—*

13            *“(i) that specifies the service the recipi-*  
 14            *ent will provide if the placement is ap-*  
 15            *proved; and*

16            *“(ii) in which the recipient agrees to*  
 17            *serve for 1 year on a full-time or part-time*  
 18            *basis (as determined by the Corporation);*  
 19            *and*

20            *“(C) submit such agreement to the State*  
 21            *Commission.*

22            *“(2) AWARD.—Upon receiving the eligible fellow-*  
 23            *ship recipient’s agreement under paragraph (1), the*  
 24            *State Commission shall award a ServeAmerica Fel-*



1        *lowship to the recipient and designate the recipient as*  
 2        *a fellow.*

3                “(3) *FELLOWSHIP AMOUNT.—*

4                        “(A) *IN GENERAL.—*From amounts received  
 5                        *under subsection (b), each State Commission*  
 6                        *shall award each of the State’s fellows a*  
 7                        *ServeAmerica Fellowship amount that is equal*  
 8                        *to 50 percent of the amount of the total average*  
 9                        *annual subsistence allowance provided to VISTA*  
 10                        *volunteers under section 105 of the Domestic Vol-*  
 11                        *unteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955).*

12                        “(B) *AMOUNT FROM SERVICE SPONSOR OR-*  
 13                        *GANIZATION.—*Except as provided in subpara-  
 14                        *graph (C), the service sponsor organization shall*  
 15                        *award to the fellow serving such organization an*  
 16                        *amount that will ensure that the total award re-*  
 17                        *ceived by the fellow for service in the service*  
 18                        *project (consisting of such amount and the*  
 19                        *ServeAmerica Fellowship amount the fellow re-*  
 20                        *ceives under subparagraph (A)) is equal to or*  
 21                        *greater than 70 percent of the average annual*  
 22                        *subsistence allowance provided to VISTA volun-*  
 23                        *teers under section 105 of the Domestic Volunteer*  
 24                        *Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955).*

1           “(C) *MAXIMUM LIVING ALLOWANCE.*—*The*  
 2           *total amount that may be provided to a fellow*  
 3           *under this subparagraph shall not exceed 100*  
 4           *percent of the average annual subsistence allow-*  
 5           *ance provided to VISTA volunteers under section*  
 6           *105 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of*  
 7           *1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955).*

8           “(D) *PRORATION OF AMOUNT.*—*In the case*  
 9           *of a fellow who is authorized to serve a part-time*  
 10           *term of service under the agreement described in*  
 11           *paragraph (1)(B)(ii), the amount provided to a*  
 12           *fellow under this paragraph shall be prorated ac-*  
 13           *cordingly.*

14           “(E) *WAIVER.*—*The Corporation may allow*  
 15           *a State Commission to waive the amount re-*  
 16           *quired under subparagraph (B) from the service*  
 17           *sponsor organization for a fellow serving the or-*  
 18           *ganization if—*

19                   “(i) *such requirement is inconsistent*  
 20                   *with the objectives of the ServeAmerica Fel-*  
 21                   *lowship program; and*

22                   “(ii) *the amount provided to the fellow*  
 23                   *under subparagraph (A) is sufficient to*  
 24                   *meet the necessary costs of living (including*  
 25                   *food, housing, and transportation) in the*

1                    *area in which the ServeAmerica Fellowship*  
2                    *program is located.*

3            “(f) *COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE CAT-*  
4 *EGORIES.*—*Service under a ServeAmerica Fellowship shall*  
5 *comply with section 132(a). For purposes of applying that*  
6 *section to this subsection, a reference to assistance shall be*  
7 *considered to be a reference to assistance provided under*  
8 *this section.*

9            “(g) *REPORTS.*—*Each service sponsor organization*  
10 *that receives a fellow under this section shall, on a biweekly*  
11 *basis, report to the Corporation on the number of hours*  
12 *served and the services provided by that fellow. The Cor-*  
13 *poration shall establish a web portal for the organizations*  
14 *to use in reporting the information.*

15           “(h) *EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.*—*A fellow who serves in*  
16 *a service project under this section shall be considered to*  
17 *have served in an approved national service position and,*  
18 *upon meeting the requirements of section 147 for full-time*  
19 *or part-time national service, shall be eligible for a national*  
20 *service educational award described in such section. The*  
21 *Corporation shall transfer an appropriate amount of funds*  
22 *to the National Service Trust to provide for the national*  
23 *service educational award for such fellow.*

1 **“SEC. 198C. SILVER SCHOLARSHIPS AND ENCORE FELLOW-**  
 2 **SHIPS.**

3 *“(a) SILVER SCHOLARSHIP GRANT PROGRAM.—*

4 *“(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Corporation may*  
 5 *award fixed-amount grants (in accordance with sec-*  
 6 *tion 129(l)) to community-based organizations to*  
 7 *carry out a Silver Scholarship Grant Program for in-*  
 8 *dividuals age 55 and older, in which such individuals*  
 9 *complete not less than 250 hours of service in a year*  
 10 *carrying out projects of national need and receive a*  
 11 *Silver Scholarship in the form of a \$1,000 national*  
 12 *service educational award. Under such a program—*

13 *“(A) the Corporation shall establish criteria*  
 14 *for the types of the service required to be per-*  
 15 *formed to receive such award; and*

16 *“(B) the individual receiving such award*  
 17 *shall use such award in accordance with sub-*  
 18 *sections (c) and (d) of section 146 and section*  
 19 *148.*

20 *“(2) TERM.—Each program funded under this*  
 21 *subsection shall be carried out over a period of 3*  
 22 *years (which may include 1 planning year), with a*  
 23 *1-year extension possible, if the program meets per-*  
 24 *formance measures developed in accordance with sec-*  
 25 *tion 179(a) and any other criteria determined by the*  
 26 *Corporation.*

1           “(3) *APPLICATIONS.*—*To be eligible for a grant*  
 2           *under this subsection, a community-based organiza-*  
 3           *tion shall—*

4                   “(A) *submit to the Corporation an applica-*  
 5                   *tion at such time and in such manner as the*  
 6                   *Chief Executive Officer may reasonably require;*  
 7                   *and*

8                   “(B) *be a listed organization as described in*  
 9                   *subsection (b)(2)(D).*

10           “(4) *COLLABORATION ENCOURAGED.*—*A commu-*  
 11           *nity-based organization awarded a grant under this*  
 12           *subsection is encouraged to collaborate with programs*  
 13           *funded under title II of the Domestic Volunteer Serv-*  
 14           *ice Act of 1973 in carrying out this program.*

15           “(5) *ELIGIBILITY FOR FELLOWSHIP.*—*An indi-*  
 16           *vidual is eligible to receive a Silver Scholarship if the*  
 17           *community-based organization certifies to the Cor-*  
 18           *poration that the individual has completed not less*  
 19           *than 250 hours of service under this section in a 1-*  
 20           *year period.*

21           “(6) *TRANSFER TO TRUST.*—*The Corporation*  
 22           *shall transfer an appropriate amount of funds to the*  
 23           *National Service Trust to provide for the national*  
 24           *service educational award for each silver scholar*  
 25           *under this subsection.*

1           “(7) *SUPPORT SERVICES.*—*A community-based*  
 2           *organization receiving a fixed-amount grant under*  
 3           *this subsection may use a portion of the grant to pro-*  
 4           *vide transportation services to an eligible individual*  
 5           *to allow such individual to participate in a service*  
 6           *project.*

7           “(b) *ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.*—

8           “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*The Corporation may*  
 9           *award 1-year Encore Fellowships to enable individ-*  
 10          *uals age 55 or older to—*

11                  “(A) *carry out service projects in areas of*  
 12                  *national need; and*

13                  “(B) *receive training and development in*  
 14                  *order to transition to full- or part-time public*  
 15                  *service in the nonprofit sector or government.*

16           “(2) *PROGRAM.*—*In carrying out the program,*  
 17          *the Corporation shall—*

18                  “(A) *maintain a list of eligible organiza-*  
 19                  *tions for which Encore Fellows may be placed to*  
 20                  *carry out service projects through the program*  
 21                  *and shall provide the list to all Fellowship re-*  
 22                  *cipients; and*

23                  “(B) *at the request of a Fellowship recipi-*  
 24                  *ent—*

1           “(i) *determine whether the requesting*  
 2           *recipient is able to meet the service needs of*  
 3           *a listed organization, or another organiza-*  
 4           *tion that the recipient requests in accord-*  
 5           *ance with subparagraph (E)(ii), for a serv-*  
 6           *ice project; and*

7           “(ii) *upon making a favorable deter-*  
 8           *mination under clause (i), award the re-*  
 9           *recipient with an Encore Fellowship, and*  
 10          *place the recipient with the organization as*  
 11          *an Encore Fellow under subparagraph*  
 12          *(E)(iii).*

13          “(C) *ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—*

14          “(i) *IN GENERAL.—An individual de-*  
 15          *siring to be selected as a Fellowship recipi-*  
 16          *ent shall—*

17                  “(I) *be an individual who—*

18                          “(aa) *is at least 55 years of*  
 19                          *age as of the time the individual*  
 20                          *applies for the program; and*

21                          “(bb) *is not engaged in, but*  
 22                          *who wishes to engage in, full- or*  
 23                          *part-time public service in the*  
 24                          *nonprofit sector or government;*  
 25                          *and*

1           “(II) submit an application to the  
 2           Corporation, at such time, in such  
 3           manner, and containing such informa-  
 4           tion as the Corporation may require,  
 5           including—

6                       “(aa) a description of the  
 7                       area of national need that the ap-  
 8                       plicant hopes to address through  
 9                       the service project;

10                      “(bb) a description of the  
 11                      skills and experience the applicant  
 12                      has to address an area of national  
 13                      need; and

14                      “(cc) information identifying  
 15                      the region of the United States in  
 16                      which the applicant wishes to  
 17                      serve.

18                      “(ii) *SELECTION BASIS.*—In deter-  
 19                      mining which individuals to select as Fel-  
 20                      lowship recipients, the Corporation shall—

21                      “(I) select not more than 10 indi-  
 22                      viduals from each State; and

23                      “(II) give priority to individuals  
 24                      with skills and experience for which



1                   *there is an ongoing high demand in the*  
 2                   *nonprofit sector and government.*

3                   “(D) *LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.*—*To be listed*  
 4                   *under subparagraph (A), an organization*  
 5                   *shall—*

6                   “(i) *be a nonprofit organization; and*

7                   “(ii) *submit an application to the Cor-*  
 8                   *poration at such time, in such manner, and*  
 9                   *containing such information as the Cor-*  
 10                   *poration may require, including—*

11                   “(I) *a description of—*

12                   “(aa) *the services and activi-*  
 13                   *ties the organization carries out*  
 14                   *generally;*

15                   “(bb) *the area of national*  
 16                   *need that the organization seeks to*  
 17                   *address through a service project;*  
 18                   *and*

19                   “(cc) *the services and activi-*  
 20                   *ties the organization seeks to*  
 21                   *carry out through the proposed*  
 22                   *service project;*

23                   “(II) *a description of the skills*  
 24                   *and experience that an eligible Encore*  
 25                   *Fellowship recipient needs to be placed*

1           *with the organization as an Encore*  
 2           *Fellow for the service project;*

3           “(III) *a description of the train-*  
 4           *ing and leadership development the or-*  
 5           *ganization shall provide an Encore*  
 6           *Fellow placed with the organization to*  
 7           *assist the Encore Fellow in obtaining a*  
 8           *public service job in the nonprofit sec-*  
 9           *tor or government after the period of*  
 10          *the Encore Fellowship; and*

11          “(IV) *evidence of the organiza-*  
 12          *tion’s financial stability.*

13          “(E) *PLACEMENT.—*

14           “(i) *REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH*  
 15           *LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.—To be placed with*  
 16           *a listed organization in accordance with*  
 17           *subparagraph (B)(ii) for a service project,*  
 18           *an eligible Encore Fellowship recipient shall*  
 19           *submit an application for such placement to*  
 20           *the Corporation at such time, in such man-*  
 21           *ner, and containing such information as the*  
 22           *Corporation may require.*

23           “(ii) *REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH*  
 24           *OTHER ORGANIZATION.—An eligible Encore*  
 25           *Fellowship recipient may apply to the Cor-*

1            *poration to serve the recipient's Encore Fel-*  
2            *lowship year with a nonprofit organization*  
3            *that is not a listed organization. Such ap-*  
4            *plication shall be submitted to the Corpora-*  
5            *tion at such time, in such manner, and con-*  
6            *taining such information as the Corpora-*  
7            *tion shall require, and shall include—*

8                    *“(I) an identification and de-*  
9                    *scription of—*

10                    *“(aa) the organization;*

11                    *“(bb) the area of national*  
12                    *need the organization seeks to ad-*  
13                    *dress; and*

14                    *“(cc) the services or activities*  
15                    *the organization carries out to ad-*  
16                    *dress such area of national need;*

17                    *“(II) a description of the services*  
18                    *the eligible Encore Fellowship recipient*  
19                    *shall provide for the organization as*  
20                    *an Encore Fellow; and*

21                    *“(III) a letter of support from the*  
22                    *leader of the organization, including—*

23                    *“(aa) a description of the or-*  
24                    *ganization's need for the eligible*

1           *Encore Fellowship recipient's*  
 2           *services;*

3                   “(bb) *evidence that the orga-*  
 4                   *nization is financially sound;*

5                   “(cc) *an assurance that the*  
 6                   *organization will provide training*  
 7                   *and leadership development to the*  
 8                   *eligible Encore Fellowship recipi-*  
 9                   *ent if placed with the organiza-*  
 10                   *tion as an Encore Fellow, to as-*  
 11                   *sist the Encore Fellow in obtain-*  
 12                   *ing a public service job in the*  
 13                   *nonprofit sector or government*  
 14                   *after the period of the Encore Fel-*  
 15                   *lowship; and*

16                   “(dd) *a description of the*  
 17                   *training and leadership develop-*  
 18                   *ment to be provided to the Encore*  
 19                   *Fellowship recipient if so placed.*

20                   “(iii) *PLACEMENT AND AWARD OF FEL-*  
 21                   *LOWSHIP.—If the Corporation determines*  
 22                   *that the eligible Encore Fellowship recipient*  
 23                   *is able to meet the service needs (including*  
 24                   *skills and experience to address an area of*  
 25                   *national need) of the organization that the*

1           *eligible fellowship recipient requests under*  
2           *clause (i) or (ii), the Corporation shall—*

3                   “(I) *approve the placement of the*  
4                   *eligible Encore Fellowship recipient*  
5                   *with the organization;*

6                   “(II) *award the eligible Encore*  
7                   *Fellowship recipient an Encore Fellow-*  
8                   *ship for a period of 1 year and des-*  
9                   *ignate the eligible Encore Fellowship*  
10                  *recipient as an Encore Fellow; and*

11                  “(III) *in awarding the Encore*  
12                  *Fellowship, make a payment, in the*  
13                  *amount of \$11,000, to the organization*  
14                  *to enable the organization to provide*  
15                  *living expenses to the Encore Fellow*  
16                  *for the year in which the Encore Fel-*  
17                  *low agrees to serve.*

18                  “(F) *MATCHING FUNDS.—An organization*  
19                  *that receives an Encore Fellow under this sub-*  
20                  *section shall agree to provide, for the living ex-*  
21                  *penses of the Encore Fellow during the year of*  
22                  *service, non-Federal contributions in an amount*  
23                  *equal to not less than \$1 for every \$1 of Federal*  
24                  *funds provided to the organization for the En-*  
25                  *core Fellow through the Encore Fellowship.*

1                   “(G) *TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE.*—*Each or-*  
 2                   *ganization that receives an Encore Fellow under*  
 3                   *this subsection shall provide training, leadership*  
 4                   *development, and assistance to the Encore Fel-*  
 5                   *low, and conduct oversight of the service pro-*  
 6                   *vided by the Encore Fellow.*

7                   “(H) *LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.*—*Each*  
 8                   *year, the Corporation shall convene current and*  
 9                   *former Encore Fellows to discuss the Encore Fel-*  
 10                  *lows’ experiences related to service under this*  
 11                  *subsection and discuss strategies for increasing*  
 12                  *leadership and careers in public service in the*  
 13                  *nonprofit sector or government.*

14                  “(c) *EVALUATIONS.*—*The Corporation shall conduct*  
 15                  *an independent evaluation of the programs authorized*  
 16                  *under subsections (a) and (b) and widely disseminate the*  
 17                  *results, including recommendations for improvement, to the*  
 18                  *service community through multiple channels, including the*  
 19                  *Corporation’s Resource Center or a clearinghouse of effective*  
 20                  *strategies.”.*

21   **SEC. 1806. NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS.**

22                  *Subtitle H (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.) is further amend-*  
 23                  *ed by adding at the end the following:*

1   **“PART II—NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS**

2   **“SEC. 198H. NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS.**

3       “(a) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section—*

4           “(1) *the term ‘disaster’ has the meaning given*  
 5       *the term ‘major disaster’ in section 102 of the Robert*  
 6       *T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Assistance Act (42*  
 7       *U.S.C. 5122);*

8           “(2) *the term ‘emergency’ has the meaning given*  
 9       *such term in section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford*  
 10       *Disaster Relief and Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122);*

11          “(3) *the term ‘National Service Reserve Corps*  
 12       *member’ means an individual who—*

13           “(A) *has completed a term of national serv-*  
 14       *ice or is a veteran;*

15           “(B) *has successfully completed training de-*  
 16       *scribed in subsection (c) within the previous 2*  
 17       *years; and*

18           “(C) *has indicated interest to the Corpora-*  
 19       *tion in responding to disasters and emergencies*  
 20       *in a timely manner through the National Service*  
 21       *Reserve Corps;*

22          “(4) *the term ‘term of national service’ means a*  
 23       *term or period of service under subtitle C, E, or G or*  
 24       *section 198B or 198C(b) of this Act, or under part A*  
 25       *of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of*  
 26       *1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.); and*

1           “(5) the term ‘veteran’ has the meaning given the  
2           term in section 101 of title 38, United States Code.

3           “(b) *ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL SERVICE RE-*  
4 *SERVE CORPS.*—The Corporation shall establish a National  
5 *Service Reserve Corps to prepare and deploy National Serv-*  
6 *ice Reserve Corps members to respond to disasters and*  
7 *emergencies. In carrying out this section, the Corporation*  
8 *may work with organizations representing individuals who*  
9 *have completed a term of national service or are veterans,*  
10 *as well as directly with such individuals.*

11          “(c) *ANNUAL TRAINING.*—The Corporation shall, in  
12 *consultation with the Administrator of the Federal Emer-*  
13 *gency Management Agency, conduct or coordinate annual*  
14 *training sessions for individuals who have completed a term*  
15 *of national service or are veterans, and who wish to join*  
16 *the National Service Reserve Corps.*

17          “(d) *CERTIFICATION OF ORGANIZATIONS.*—

18               “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—On a biannual basis, the  
19 *Corporation shall certify organizations with dem-*  
20 *onstrated experience in responding to disasters or*  
21 *emergencies, including through using volunteers, for*  
22 *participation in the program under this section.*

23               “(2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—The Corporation shall  
24 *ensure that every certified organization is—*



1           “(A) prepared to respond to disasters or  
2           emergencies;

3           “(B) prepared and able to utilize National  
4           Service Reserve Corps members in responding to  
5           disasters or emergencies; and

6           “(C) willing to respond in a timely manner  
7           when notified by the Corporation of a disaster or  
8           emergency.

9           “(e) DATABASES.—The Corporation shall develop or  
10          contract with an outside organization to develop—

11           “(1) a database of all National Service Reserve  
12          Corps members; and

13           “(2) a database of all nonprofit organizations  
14          that have been certified by the Corporation under sub-  
15          section (d).

16          “(f) DEPLOYMENT OF NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE  
17          CORPS.—

18           “(1) IN GENERAL.—If a disaster or emergency  
19          has occurred that the Corporation, in consultation  
20          with the Administrator of the Federal Emergency  
21          Management Agency, determines is an incident for  
22          which National Service Reserve Corps members are  
23          prepared to assist, then the Corporation shall—

24           “(A) deploy interested National Service Re-  
25          serve Corps members on 30-day assignments to

1       *assist with local needs related to preparing or re-*  
 2       *covering from the incident in the affected area,*  
 3       *through organizations certified under subsection*  
 4       *(d);*

5               *“(B) make travel arrangements for the de-*  
 6       *ployed National Service Reserve Corps members*  
 7       *to the site of the incident; and*

8               *“(C) provide funds to those organizations*  
 9       *that are responding to the incident with de-*  
 10       *ployed National Service Reserve Corps members,*  
 11       *to enable the organizations to coordinate and*  
 12       *provide housing, living stipends, and insurance*  
 13       *for those deployed members.*

14               *“(2) ALLOWANCE.—Any amounts that are uti-*  
 15       *lized by the Corporation from funds appropriated*  
 16       *under section 501(a)(4)(D) to carry out paragraph*  
 17       *(1) for a fiscal year shall be kept in a separate fund.*  
 18       *Any amounts in such fund that are not used during*  
 19       *a fiscal year shall remain available to use to help or-*  
 20       *ganizations pay National Service Reserve Corps*  
 21       *members an allowance, determined by the Corpora-*  
 22       *tion, for out-of-pocket expenses.*

23               *“(3) INFORMATION.—*

24               *“(A) NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICIPANTS.—*

25       *The Corporation, the State Commissions, and*

1 *entities receiving financial assistance for pro-*  
 2 *grams under subtitle C, E, or G of this Act, or*  
 3 *under part A of title I of the Domestic Volunteer*  
 4 *Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.),*  
 5 *shall inform participants of those programs of*  
 6 *the National Service Reserve Corps upon the*  
 7 *participants' completion of their term of na-*  
 8 *tional service.*

9 “(B) *VETERANS.*—*The Secretary of Vet-*  
 10 *erans Affairs, in consultation with the Secretary*  
 11 *of Defense, shall inform veterans who are re-*  
 12 *cently discharged, released, or separated from the*  
 13 *Armed Forces of the programs of the National*  
 14 *Service Reserve Corps.*

15 “(4) *COORDINATION.*—*In deploying National*  
 16 *Service Reserve Corps members under this subsection,*  
 17 *the Corporation may consult and, as appropriate,*  
 18 *partner with Citizen Corps programs in the affected*  
 19 *area.”.*

20 **SEC. 1807. SOCIAL INNOVATION FUNDS PILOT PROGRAM.**

21 *Subtitle H is further amended by adding at the end*  
 22 *the following:*

1    **“PART III—SOCIAL INNOVATION FUNDS PILOT**  
2                                   **PROGRAM**

3    **“SEC. 198K. FUNDS.**

4           “(a) *FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:*

5               “(1) *Social entrepreneurs and other nonprofit*  
6               *community organizations are developing innovative*  
7               *and effective solutions to national and local chal-*  
8               *lenges.*

9               “(2) *Increased public and private investment in*  
10              *replicating and expanding proven effective solutions,*  
11              *and supporting new solutions, developed by social en-*  
12              *trepreneurs and other nonprofit community organiza-*  
13              *tions could allow those entrepreneurs and organiza-*  
14              *tions to replicate and expand proven initiatives, and*  
15              *support new initiatives, in communities.*

16              “(3) *A network of Social Innovation Funds could*  
17              *leverage Federal investments to increase State, local,*  
18              *business, and philanthropic resources to replicate and*  
19              *expand proven solutions and invest in supporting*  
20              *new innovations to tackle specific identified commu-*  
21              *nity challenges.*

22           “(b) *PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—*

23               “(1) *to recognize and increase the impact of so-*  
24               *cial entrepreneurs and other nonprofit community or-*  
25               *ganizations in tackling national and local challenges;*

1           “(2) to stimulate the development of a network  
 2           of Social Innovation Funds that will increase private  
 3           and public investment in nonprofit community orga-  
 4           nizations that are effectively addressing national and  
 5           local challenges to allow such organizations to rep-  
 6           licate and expand proven initiatives or support new  
 7           initiatives;

8           “(3) to assess the effectiveness of such Funds  
 9           in—

10                   “(A) leveraging Federal investments to in-  
 11                   crease State, local, business, and philanthropic  
 12                   resources to address national and local chal-  
 13                   lenges;

14                   “(B) providing resources to replicate and  
 15                   expand effective initiatives; and

16                   “(C) seeding experimental initiatives fo-  
 17                   cused on improving outcomes; and

18           “(4) to strengthen the infrastructure to identify,  
 19           invest in, replicate, and expand initiatives with effec-  
 20           tive solutions to national and local challenges.

21           “(c) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

22                   “(1) *COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION.*—The term  
 23                   ‘community organization’ means a nonprofit organi-  
 24                   zation that carries out innovative, effective initiatives  
 25                   to address community challenges.

1           “(2) *COVERED ENTITY.*—The term ‘covered enti-  
2       ty’ means—

3                   “(A) *an existing grantmaking institution*  
4                   *(existing as of the date on which the institution*  
5                   *applies for a grant under this section); or*

6                   “(B) *a partnership between—*

7                           “(i) *such an existing grantmaking in-*  
8                           *stitution; and*

9                           “(ii) *an additional grantmaking insti-*  
10                          *tution, a State Commission, or a chief exec-*  
11                          *utive officer of a unit of general local gov-*  
12                          *ernment.*

13           “(3) *ISSUE AREA.*—The term ‘issue area’ means  
14       *an area described in subsection (f)(3).*

15       “(d) *PROGRAM.*—From the amounts appropriated to  
16       *carry out this section that are not reserved under sub-*  
17       *sections (l) and (m), the Corporation shall establish a Social*  
18       *Innovation Funds grant program to make grants on a com-*  
19       *petitive basis to eligible entities for Community Solution*  
20       *Funds.*

21       “(e) *PERIODS; AMOUNTS.*—The Corporation shall  
22       *make such grants for periods of 5 years, and may renew*  
23       *the grants for additional periods of 5 years, in amounts*  
24       *of not less than \$1,000,000 and not more than \$10,000,000*  
25       *per year.*

1       “(f) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*To be eligible to receive a grant*  
 2 *under subsection (d), an entity shall—*

3               “(1) *be a covered entity;*

4               “(2) *be focused on—*

5                       “(A) *serving a specific local geographical*  
 6 *area; or*

7                       “(B) *addressing a specific issue area, in*  
 8 *geographical areas that have the highest need in*  
 9 *that issue area, as demonstrated by statistics*  
 10 *concerning that need;*

11               “(3) *be focused on improving measurable out-*  
 12 *comes relating to—*

13                       “(A) *education for economically disadvan-*  
 14 *tagged elementary or secondary school students;*

15                       “(B) *child and youth development;*

16                       “(C) *reductions in poverty or increases in*  
 17 *economic opportunity for economically disadvan-*  
 18 *tagged individuals;*

19                       “(D) *health, including access to health serv-*  
 20 *ices and health education;*

21                       “(E) *resource conservation and local envi-*  
 22 *ronmental quality;*

23                       “(F) *individual or community energy effi-*  
 24 *ciency;*

25                       “(G) *civic engagement; or*

1                   “(H) reductions in crime;

2                   “(4) have an evidence-based decisionmaking  
3 strategy, including—

4                   “(A) use of evidence produced by prior rig-  
5 orous evaluations of program effectiveness in-  
6 cluding, where available, well-implemented ran-  
7 domized controlled trials; and

8                   “(B) a well-articulated plan to—

9                   “(i)(I) replicate and expand research-  
10 proven initiatives that have been shown to  
11 produce sizeable, sustained benefits to par-  
12 ticipants or society; or

13                   “(II) support new initiatives with a  
14 substantial likelihood of significant impact;  
15 or

16                   “(ii) partner with a research organiza-  
17 tion to carry out rigorous evaluations to as-  
18 sess the effectiveness of such initiatives; and

19                   “(5) have appropriate policies, as determined by  
20 the Corporation, that protect against conflict of inter-  
21 est, self-dealing, and other improper practices.

22                   “(g) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant  
23 under subsection (d) for national leveraging capital, an eli-  
24 gible entity shall submit an application to the Corporation  
25 at such time, in such manner, and containing such infor-



1 *mation as the Corporation may specify, including, at a*  
 2 *minimum—*

3 *“(1) an assurance that the eligible entity will—*

4 *“(A) use the funds received through that*  
 5 *capital in order to make subgrants to commu-*  
 6 *nity organizations that will use the funds to rep-*  
 7 *licate or expand proven initiatives, or support*  
 8 *new initiatives, in low-income communities;*

9 *“(B) in making decisions about subgrants*  
 10 *for communities, consult with a diverse cross sec-*  
 11 *tion of community representatives in the deci-*  
 12 *sions, including individuals from the public,*  
 13 *nonprofit private, and for-profit private sectors;*  
 14 *and*

15 *“(C) make subgrants of a sufficient size and*  
 16 *scope to enable the community organizations to*  
 17 *build their capacity to manage initiatives, and*  
 18 *sustain replication or expansion of the initia-*  
 19 *tives;*

20 *“(2) an assurance that the eligible entity will not*  
 21 *make any subgrants to the parent organizations of the*  
 22 *eligible entity, a subsidiary organization of the par-*  
 23 *ent organization, or, if the eligible entity applied for*  
 24 *funds under this section as a partnership, any mem-*  
 25 *ber of the partnership;*

1           “(3) an identification of, as appropriate—

2                 “(A) the specific local geographical area re-  
3                 ferred to in subsection (f)(2)(A) that the eligible  
4                 entity is proposing to serve; or

5                 “(B) geographical areas referred to in sub-  
6                 section (f)(2)(B) that the eligible entity is likely  
7                 to serve;

8                 “(4)(A) information identifying the issue areas  
9                 in which the eligible entity will work to improve  
10                measurable outcomes;

11                “(B) statistics on the needs related to those issue  
12                areas in, as appropriate—

13                   “(i) the specific local geographical area de-  
14                   scribed in paragraph (3)(A); or

15                   “(ii) the geographical areas described in  
16                   paragraph (3)(B), including statistics dem-  
17                   onstrating that those geographical areas have the  
18                   highest need in the specific issue area that the el-  
19                   igible entity is proposing to address; and

20                “(C) information on the specific measurable out-  
21                comes related to the issue areas involved that the eli-  
22                gible entity will seek to improve;

23                “(5) information describing the process by which  
24                the eligible entity selected, or will select, community

1        *organizations to receive the subgrants, to ensure that*  
2        *the community organizations—*

3                *“(A) are institutions—*

4                        *“(i) with proven initiatives and a*  
5                        *demonstrated track record of achieving spe-*  
6                        *cific outcomes related to the measurable out-*  
7                        *comes for the eligible entity; or*

8                        *“(ii) that articulate a new solution*  
9                        *with a significant likelihood for substantial*  
10                        *impact;*

11                        *“(B) articulate measurable outcomes for the*  
12                        *use of the subgrant funds that are connected to*  
13                        *the measurable outcomes for the eligible entity;*

14                        *“(C) will use the funds to replicate, expand,*  
15                        *or support their initiatives;*

16                        *“(D) provide a well-defined plan for repli-*  
17                        *cating, expanding, or supporting the initiatives*  
18                        *funded;*

19                        *“(E) can sustain the initiatives after the*  
20                        *subgrant period concludes through reliable public*  
21                        *revenues, earned income, or private sector fund-*  
22                        *ing;*

23                        *“(F) have strong leadership and financial*  
24                        *and management systems;*

1           “(G) are committed to the use of data collec-  
 2           tion and evaluation for improvement of the ini-  
 3           tiatives;

4           “(H) will implement and evaluate innova-  
 5           tive initiatives, to be important contributors to  
 6           knowledge in their fields; and

7           “(I) will meet the requirements for pro-  
 8           viding matching funds specified in subsection  
 9           (k);

10          “(6) information about the eligible entity, in-  
 11          cluding its experience managing collaborative initia-  
 12          tives, or assessing applicants for grants and evalu-  
 13          ating the performance of grant recipients for outcome-  
 14          focused initiatives, and any other relevant informa-  
 15          tion;

16          “(7) a commitment to meet the requirements of  
 17          subsection (i) and a plan for meeting the require-  
 18          ments, including information on any funding that the  
 19          eligible entity has secured to provide the matching  
 20          funds required under that subsection;

21          “(8) a description of the eligible entity’s plan for  
 22          providing technical assistance and support, other  
 23          than financial support, to the community organiza-  
 24          tions that will increase the ability of the community  
 25          organizations to achieve their measurable outcomes;

1           “(9) information on the commitment, institu-  
 2           tional capacity, and expertise of the eligible entity  
 3           concerning—

4                   “(A) collecting and analyzing data required  
 5                   for evaluations, compliance efforts, and other  
 6                   purposes;

7                   “(B) supporting relevant research; and

8                   “(C) submitting regular reports to the Cor-  
 9                   poration, including information on the initia-  
 10                  tives of the community organizations, and the  
 11                  replication or expansion of such initiatives;

12                  “(10) a commitment to use data and evaluations  
 13                  to improve the eligible entity’s own model and to im-  
 14                  prove the initiatives funded by the eligible entity; and

15                  “(11) a commitment to cooperate with any eval-  
 16                  uation activities undertaken by the Corporation.

17           “(h) *SELECTION CRITERIA.*—In selecting eligible enti-  
 18           ties to receive grants under subsection (d), the Corporation  
 19           shall—

20                   “(1) select eligible entities on a competitive basis;

21                   “(2) select eligible entities on the basis of the  
 22                   quality of their selection process, as described in sub-  
 23                   section (g)(5), the capacity of the eligible entities to  
 24                   manage Social Innovation Funds, and the potential

1       *of the eligible entities to sustain the Funds after the*  
 2       *conclusion of the grant period;*

3               *“(3) include among the grant recipients eligible*  
 4       *entities that propose to provide subgrants to serve*  
 5       *communities (such as rural low-income communities)*  
 6       *that the eligible entities can demonstrate are signifi-*  
 7       *cantly philanthropically underserved;*

8               *“(4) select a geographically diverse set of eligible*  
 9       *entities; and*

10              *“(5) take into account broad community perspec-*  
 11       *tives and support.*

12       *“(i) MATCHING FUNDS FOR GRANTS.—*

13              *“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation may not*  
 14       *make a grant to an eligible entity under subsection*  
 15       *(d) for a Social Innovation Fund unless the entity*  
 16       *agrees that, with respect to the cost described in sub-*  
 17       *section (d) for that Fund, the entity will make avail-*  
 18       *able matching funds in an amount not less than \$1*  
 19       *for every \$1 of funds provided under the grant.*

20              *“(2) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—*

21              *“(A) TYPE AND SOURCES.—The eligible en-*  
 22       *tity shall provide the matching funds in cash.*  
 23       *The eligible entity shall provide the matching*  
 24       *funds from State, local, or private sources, which*  
 25       *may include State or local agencies, businesses,*

1       *private philanthropic organizations, or individ-*  
 2       *uals.*

3               “(B) *ELIGIBLE ENTITIES INCLUDING STATE*  
 4       *COMMISSIONS OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF-*  
 5       *FICES.—*

6               “(i) *IN GENERAL.—In a case in which*  
 7       *a State Commission, a local government of-*  
 8       *fice, or both entities are a part of the eligi-*  
 9       *ble entity, the State involved, the local gov-*  
 10       *ernment involved, or both entities, respec-*  
 11       *tively, shall contribute not less than 30 per-*  
 12       *cent and not more than 50 percent of the*  
 13       *matching funds.*

14              “(ii) *LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICE.—In*  
 15       *this subparagraph, the term ‘local govern-*  
 16       *ment office’ means the office of the chief ex-*  
 17       *ecutive officer of a unit of general local gov-*  
 18       *ernment.*

19              “(3) *REDUCTION.—The Corporation may reduce*  
 20       *by 50 percent the matching funds required by para-*  
 21       *graph (1) for an eligible entity serving a community*  
 22       *(such as a rural low-income community) that the eli-*  
 23       *gible entity can demonstrate is significantly philan-*  
 24       *thropically underserved.*

25              “(j) *SUBGRANTS.—*

1           “(1) *SUBGRANTS AUTHORIZED.*—*An eligible en-*  
 2           *tity receiving a grant under subsection (d) is author-*  
 3           *ized to use the funds made available through the*  
 4           *grant to award, on a competitive basis, subgrants to*  
 5           *expand or replicate proven initiatives, or support new*  
 6           *initiatives with a substantial likelihood of success,*  
 7           *to—*

8                   “(A) *community organizations serving low-*  
 9                   *income communities within the specific local*  
 10                  *geographical area referred to in subsection*  
 11                  *(f)(2)(A); or*

12                  “(B) *community organizations addressing a*  
 13                  *specific issue area referred to in subsection*  
 14                  *(f)(2)(B), in low-income communities in geo-*  
 15                  *graphical areas referred to in that subsection.*

16           “(2) *PERIODS; AMOUNTS.*—*The eligible entity*  
 17           *shall make such subgrants for periods of not less than*  
 18           *3 and not more than 5 years, and may renew the sub-*  
 19           *grants for such periods, in amounts of not less than*  
 20           *\$100,000 per year.*

21           “(3) *APPLICATIONS.*—*To be eligible to receive a*  
 22           *subgrant from an eligible entity under this section,*  
 23           *including receiving a payment for that subgrant each*  
 24           *year, a community organization shall submit an ap-*  
 25           *plication to an eligible entity that serves the specific*



1        *local geographical area, or geographical areas, that*  
2        *the community organization proposes to serve, at such*  
3        *time, in such manner, and containing such informa-*  
4        *tion as the eligible entity may require, including—*

5                *“(A) a description of the initiative the com-*  
6                *munity organization carries out and plans to*  
7                *replicate or expand, or of the new initiative the*  
8                *community organization intends to support,*  
9                *using funds received from the eligible entity, and*  
10              *how the initiative relates to the issue areas iden-*  
11              *tified under subsection (g)(4)(A) in which the el-*  
12              *igible entity has committed to work;*

13              *“(B) data on the measurable outcomes the*  
14              *community organization has improved, and in-*  
15              *formation on the measurable outcomes the com-*  
16              *munity organization seeks to improve by repli-*  
17              *cating or expanding a proven initiative or sup-*  
18              *porting a new initiative, which shall be among*  
19              *the measurable outcomes the eligible entity is*  
20              *seeking to improve as identified under subsection*  
21              *(g)(4)(C);*

22              *“(C) an identification of the community in*  
23              *which the community organization proposes to*  
24              *carry out an initiative, which shall be within the*  
25              *specific local geographical area referred to in*

1        *subsection (f)(2)(A) or the geographical areas re-*  
 2        *ferred to in subsection (f)(2)(B), that the eligible*  
 3        *entity serves;*

4                *“(D) a description of the evidence-based de-*  
 5        *cisionmaking strategies the community organiza-*  
 6        *tion uses to improve outcomes, including—*

7                        *“(i) use of evidence produced by prior*  
 8                        *rigorous evaluations of program effective-*  
 9                        *ness including, where available, well-imple-*  
 10                        *mented randomized controlled trials; or*

11                        *“(ii) a well-articulated plan to con-*  
 12                        *duct, or partner with a research organiza-*  
 13                        *tion to conduct, rigorous evaluations to as-*  
 14                        *sess the effectiveness of initiatives address-*  
 15                        *ing national or local challenges;*

16                *“(E) a description of how the community*  
 17        *organization uses data to analyze and improve*  
 18        *its initiatives;*

19                *“(F) specific evidence of how the community*  
 20        *organization will meet the requirements for pro-*  
 21        *viding matching funds specified in subsection*  
 22        *(k);*

23                *“(G) a description of how the community*  
 24        *organization will sustain the replicated or ex-*

1            *panded initiative after the conclusion of the*  
 2            *subgrant period; and*

3            *“(H) any other information the eligible en-*  
 4            *tity may require, including information nec-*  
 5            *essary for the eligible entity to fulfill the require-*  
 6            *ments of subsection (g)(5).*

7            *“(k) MATCHING FUNDS FOR SUBGRANTS.—*

8            *“(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity may not*  
 9            *make a subgrant to a community organization under*  
 10           *this section for an initiative described in subsection*  
 11           *(j)(3)(A) unless the organization agrees that, with re-*  
 12           *spect to the cost of carrying out that initiative, the*  
 13           *organization will make available, on an annual basis,*  
 14           *matching funds in an amount not less than \$1 for*  
 15           *every \$1 of funds provided under the subgrant. If the*  
 16           *community organization fails to make such matching*  
 17           *funds available for a fiscal year, the eligible entity*  
 18           *shall not make payments for the remaining fiscal*  
 19           *years of the subgrant period, notwithstanding any*  
 20           *other provision of this part.*

21           *“(2) TYPES AND SOURCES.—The community or-*  
 22           *ganization shall provide the matching funds in cash.*  
 23           *The community organization shall provide the match-*  
 24           *ing funds from State, local, or private sources, which*

1        *may include funds from State or local agencies or*  
 2        *private sector funding.*

3        “(l) *DIRECT SUPPORT.*—

4                “(1) *PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.*—*The Corporation*  
 5        *may use not more than 10 percent of the funds appro-*  
 6        *priated for this section to award grants to community*  
 7        *organizations serving low-income communities or ad-*  
 8        *dressing a specific issue area in geographical areas*  
 9        *that have the highest need in that issue area, to en-*  
 10       *able such community organizations to replicate or ex-*  
 11       *pand proven initiatives or support new initiatives.*

12               “(2) *TERMS AND CONDITIONS.*—*A grant awarded*  
 13       *under this subsection shall be subject to the same*  
 14       *terms and conditions as a subgrant awarded under*  
 15       *subsection (j).*

16               “(3) *APPLICATION; MATCHING FUNDS.*—*Para-*  
 17       *graphs (2) and (3) of subsection (j) and subsection (k)*  
 18       *shall apply to a community organization receiving or*  
 19       *applying for a grant under this subsection in the*  
 20       *same manner as such subsections apply to a commu-*  
 21       *nity organization receiving or applying for a*  
 22       *subgrant under subsection (j), except that references to*  
 23       *a subgrant shall mean a grant and references to an*  
 24       *eligible entity shall mean the Corporation.*

25        “(m) *RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.*—

1           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Corporation may reserve*  
 2           *not more than 5 percent of the funds appropriated for*  
 3           *this section for a fiscal year to support, directly or*  
 4           *through contract with an independent entity, research*  
 5           *and evaluation activities to evaluate the eligible enti-*  
 6           *ties and community organizations receiving grants*  
 7           *under subsections (d) and (l) and the initiatives sup-*  
 8           *ported by the grants.*

9           “(2) *RESEARCH AND EVALUATION ACTIVITIES.*—

10           “(A) *RESEARCH AND REPORTS.*—

11           “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*The entity carrying*  
 12           *out this subsection shall collect data and*  
 13           *conduct or support research with respect to*  
 14           *the eligible entities and community organi-*  
 15           *zations receiving grants under subsections*  
 16           *(d) and (l), and the initiatives supported by*  
 17           *such eligible entities and community orga-*  
 18           *nizations, to determine the success of the*  
 19           *program carried out under this section in*  
 20           *replicating, expanding, and supporting ini-*  
 21           *tiatives, including—*

22           “(I) *the success of the initiatives*  
 23           *in improving measurable outcomes;*  
 24           *and*

1                   “(II) *the success of the program in*  
 2                   *increasing philanthropic investments*  
 3                   *in philanthropically underserved com-*  
 4                   *munities.*

5                   “(ii) *REPORTS.—The Corporation*  
 6                   *shall submit periodic reports to the author-*  
 7                   *izing committees including—*

8                   “(I) *the data collected and the re-*  
 9                   *sults of the research under this sub-*  
 10                  *section;*

11                  “(II) *information on lessons*  
 12                  *learned about best practices from the*  
 13                  *activities carried out under this sec-*  
 14                  *tion, to improve those activities; and*

15                  “(III) *a list of all eligible entities*  
 16                  *and community organizations receiv-*  
 17                  *ing funds under this section.*

18                  “(iii) *PUBLIC INFORMATION.—The*  
 19                  *Corporation shall annually post the list de-*  
 20                  *scribed in clause (ii)(III) on the Corpora-*  
 21                  *tion’s website.*

22                  “(B) *TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Cor-*  
 23                  *poration shall, directly or through contract, pro-*  
 24                  *vide technical assistance to the eligible entities*

1           *and community organizations that receive grants*  
 2           *under subsections (d) and (l).*

3           “(C) *KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT.*—*The Cor-*  
 4           *poration shall, directly or through contract,*  
 5           *maintain a clearinghouse for information on best*  
 6           *practices resulting from initiatives supported by*  
 7           *the eligible entities and community organiza-*  
 8           *tions.*

9           “(D) *RESERVATION.*—*Of the funds appro-*  
 10          *priated under section 501(a)(4)(E) for a fiscal*  
 11          *year, not more than 5 percent may be used to*  
 12          *carry out this subsection.”.*

13 ***SEC. 1808. CLEARINGHOUSES.***

14          *Subtitle H is further amended by adding at the end*  
 15          *the following:*

16 ***“PART IV—NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS***  
 17 ***CLEARINGHOUSES; VOLUNTEER GENERA-***  
 18 ***TION FUND***

19 ***“SEC. 1980. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS CLEARING-***  
 20 ***HOUSES.***

21          “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Corporation shall provide as-*  
 22          *sistance, either by grant, contract, or cooperative agreement,*  
 23          *to entities with expertise in the dissemination of informa-*  
 24          *tion through clearinghouses to establish 1 or more clearing-*  
 25          *houses for the national service laws.*

1       “(b) *FUNCTION OF CLEARINGHOUSE.*—*Such a clear-*  
 2 *inghouse may—*

3               “(1) *assist entities carrying out State or local*  
 4 *service-learning and national service programs with*  
 5 *needs assessments and planning;*

6               “(2) *conduct research and evaluations con-*  
 7 *cerning service-learning or programs receiving assist-*  
 8 *ance under the national service laws unless the recipi-*  
 9 *ent is receiving funds for such purpose under part III*  
 10 *of subtitle B and under this subtitle;*

11              “(3)(A) *provide leadership development and*  
 12 *training to State and local service-learning program*  
 13 *administrators, supervisors, service sponsors, and*  
 14 *participants; and*

15              “(B) *provide training to persons who can pro-*  
 16 *vide the leadership development and training de-*  
 17 *scribed in subparagraph (A);*

18              “(4) *facilitate communication among entities*  
 19 *carrying out service-learning programs and programs*  
 20 *offered under the national service laws and partici-*  
 21 *pants in such programs;*

22              “(5) *provide and disseminate information and*  
 23 *curriculum materials relating to planning and oper-*  
 24 *ating service-learning programs and programs offered*  
 25 *under the national service laws, to States, Territories,*



1     *Indian tribes, and local entities eligible to receive fi-*  
2     *nancial assistance under the national service laws;*

3             *“(6) provide and disseminate information re-*  
4     *garding methods to make service-learning programs*  
5     *and programs offered under the national service laws*  
6     *accessible to individuals with disabilities;*

7             *“(7) disseminate applications in languages other*  
8     *than English;*

9             *“(8)(A) gather and disseminate information on*  
10    *successful service-learning programs and programs of-*  
11    *fered under the national service laws, components of*  
12    *such successful programs, innovative curricula related*  
13    *to service-learning, and service-learning projects; and*

14            *“(B) coordinate the activities of the clearing-*  
15    *house with appropriate entities to avoid duplication*  
16    *of effort;*

17            *“(9) make recommendations to State and local*  
18    *entities on quality controls to improve the quality of*  
19    *service-learning programs and programs offered*  
20    *under the national service laws;*

21            *“(10) assist organizations in recruiting, screen-*  
22    *ing, and placing a diverse population of service-learn-*  
23    *ing coordinators and program sponsors;*

24            *“(11) disseminate effective strategies for working*  
25    *with disadvantaged youth in national service pro-*

1        *grams as determined by organizations with an estab-*  
 2        *lished expertise working with such youth; and*

3                *“(12) carry out such other activities as the Chief*  
 4        *Executive Officer determines to be appropriate.*

5        **“SEC. 198P. VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND.**

6                *“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—*

7                        *“(1) the term ‘areas of national need’ has the*  
 8        *meaning given the term in section 198B(a);*

9                        *“(2) the term ‘civic entity’ means a local or na-*  
 10        *tional nonprofit organization, including a faith-based*  
 11        *organization, that uses volunteers to carry out activi-*  
 12        *ties in areas of national need; and*

13                        *“(3) the term ‘eligible entity’ means—*

14                                *“(A) a State Commission; or*

15                                *“(B) a nonprofit organization that provides*  
 16        *technical assistance and support to civic entities*  
 17        *in recruiting, managing, and supporting volun-*  
 18        *teers, such as a volunteer coordinating agency, a*  
 19        *nonprofit resource center, a volunteer training*  
 20        *clearinghouse, or an institution of higher edu-*  
 21        *cation.*

22                *“(b) FUND.—*

23                        *“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall award*  
 24        *grants, on a competitive basis, to eligible entities to*  
 25        *enable—*

1           “(A) *eligible entities to increase the number*  
 2           *of volunteers available to carry out activities*  
 3           *that address areas of national need through civic*  
 4           *entities supported by the eligible entity; or*

5           “(B) *eligible entities described in subsection*  
 6           *(a)(3)(A) to increase the number of volunteers*  
 7           *available to carry out statewide volunteer initia-*  
 8           *tives that address State and local priorities with*  
 9           *regard to areas of national need.*

10          “(2) *APPLICATION.—*

11           “(A) *IN GENERAL.—Each eligible entity de-*  
 12           *siring a grant under this subsection shall submit*  
 13           *an application to the Corporation at such time,*  
 14           *in such manner, and accompanied by such infor-*  
 15           *mation as the Corporation may reasonably re-*  
 16           *quire.*

17           “(B) *CONTENTS.—Each application sub-*  
 18           *mitted pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall con-*  
 19           *tain—*

20           “(i)(I) *in the case of an eligible entity*  
 21           *that proposes to use grant funds to carry*  
 22           *out an activity described in paragraph*  
 23           *(1)(A), a description of the technical assist-*  
 24           *ance and support the entity provides to*

1           *civic entities in recruiting, managing, and*  
2           *supporting additional volunteers; or*

3           “(II) *in the case of an eligible entity*  
4           *that proposes to use grant funds to carry*  
5           *out a statewide initiative described in para-*  
6           *graph (1)(B), a description of the State pri-*  
7           *orities with regard to areas of national need*  
8           *and the proposed initiative to address such*  
9           *priorities;*

10          “(ii) *an assurance that the eligible en-*  
11          *tity will annually collect information on—*

12                “(I) *the number of volunteers re-*  
13                *cruited for civic entities or to carry out*  
14                *statewide initiatives described in para-*  
15                *graph (1)(B), using funds received*  
16                *under this subsection, and the type and*  
17                *amount of activities carried out by*  
18                *such volunteers; and*

19                “(II) *the number of volunteers*  
20                *supported using funds received under*  
21                *this subsection, and the type and*  
22                *amount of activities carried out by*  
23                *such volunteers;*

24                “(iii) *a description of any outcomes*  
25                *the eligible entity will use to annually*

1                   *measure and track performance with regard*  
 2                   *to—*

3                   “(I) *activities carried out by vol-*  
 4                   *unteers; and*

5                   “(II) *volunteers recruited, man-*  
 6                   *aged, and supported;*

7                   “(iv) *information describing how the*  
 8                   *eligible entity will annually evaluate the ef-*  
 9                   *fectiveness of the entity’s activities under*  
 10                  *this subsection; and*

11                  “(v) *such additional assurances as the*  
 12                  *Corporation determines to be essential to*  
 13                  *ensure compliance with the requirements of*  
 14                  *this subsection.”.*

15       ***Subtitle I—Training and Technical***  
 16                   ***Assistance***

17       ***SEC. 1821. TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.***

18           *Title I is further amended by adding at the end the*  
 19       *following new subtitle:*

20                   ***“Subtitle J—Training and***  
 21                   ***Technical Assistance***

22       ***“SEC. 199N. TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.***

23           “(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall, either di-*  
 24       *rectly or through grants, contracts, or cooperative agree-*

1 *ments (including through State Commissions), conduct ap-*  
 2 *propriate training for and provide technical assistance to—*

3           “(1) *programs receiving assistance under the na-*  
 4 *tional service laws; and*

5           “(2) *entities (particularly those in rural areas*  
 6 *and underserved communities) that desire to—*

7                 “(A) *carry out or establish national service*  
 8 *programs; or*

9                 “(B) *apply for assistance (including sub-*  
 10 *grants) under the national service laws.*

11         “(b) *ACTIVITIES INCLUDED.—Such training and tech-*  
 12 *nical assistance activities may include—*

13                 “(1) *providing technical assistance to those enti-*  
 14 *ties applying to carry out national service programs*  
 15 *or those carrying out national service programs;*

16                 “(2) *promoting leadership development in na-*  
 17 *tional service programs;*

18                 “(3) *improving the instructional and pro-*  
 19 *grammatic quality of national service programs;*

20                 “(4) *developing the management and budgetary*  
 21 *skills of those operating or overseeing national service*  
 22 *programs, including to increase the cost effectiveness*  
 23 *of the programs under the national service laws;*

1           “(5) providing for or improving the training  
2           provided to the participants in programs under the  
3           national service laws;

4           “(6) facilitating the education of individuals  
5           participating in national service programs in risk  
6           management procedures, including the training of  
7           participants in appropriate risk management prac-  
8           tices;

9           “(7) training those individuals operating or  
10          overseeing national service programs—

11           “(A) in volunteer recruitment, management,  
12           and retention to improve the abilities of such in-  
13           dividuals to use participants and other volun-  
14           teers in an effective manner, which results in  
15           high-quality service and the desire of partici-  
16           pants or volunteers to continue to serve in other  
17           capacities after the program is completed;

18           “(B) in program evaluation and perform-  
19           ance measures to inform practices to augment  
20           the capacity and sustainability of the national  
21           service programs; or

22           “(C) to effectively accommodate individuals  
23           with disabilities to increase the participation of  
24           individuals with disabilities in national service  
25           programs, which training may utilize funding

1       *from the reservation of funds under section*  
2       *129(k) to increase the participation of individ-*  
3       *uals with disabilities;*

4       “(8) *establishing networks and collaboration*  
5       *among employers, educators, and other key stake-*  
6       *holders in the community to further leverage resources*  
7       *to increase local participation and to coordinate com-*  
8       *munity-wide planning and service;*

9       “(9) *providing training and technical assistance*  
10       *for the National Senior Service Corps, including pro-*  
11       *viding such training and technical assistance to pro-*  
12       *grams receiving assistance under section 201 of the*  
13       *Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.*  
14       *5001); and*

15       “(10) *carrying out such other activities as the*  
16       *Chief Executive Officer determines to be appropriate.*

17       “(c) *PRIORITY.—In carrying out this section, the Cor-*  
18       *poration shall give priority to programs under the national*  
19       *service laws and entities eligible to establish such programs*  
20       *that seek training or technical assistance and that—*

21       “(1) *seek to carry out high-quality programs*  
22       *where the services are needed most;*

23       “(2) *seek to carry out high-quality programs*  
24       *where national service programs do not currently*



1       *exist or where the programs are too limited to meet*  
 2       *community needs;*

3               “(3) *seek to carry out high-quality programs*  
 4       *that focus on and provide service opportunities for*  
 5       *underserved rural and urban areas and populations;*  
 6       *and*

7               “(4) *seek to assist programs in developing a serv-*  
 8       *ice component that combines students, out-of-school*  
 9       *youths, and older adults as participants to provide*  
 10       *needed community services.”.*

11       ***Subtitle J—Repeal of Title III***  
 12       ***(Points of Light Foundation)***

13       ***SEC. 1831. REPEAL.***

14       (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Title III (42 U.S.C. 12661 et seq.)*  
 15       *is repealed.*

16       (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—*Section 401 (42*  
 17       *U.S.C. 12671) is amended—*

18               (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “term” and all*  
 19       *that follows and inserting the following: “term ‘ad-*  
 20       *ministrative organization’ means a nonprofit private*  
 21       *organization that enters into an agreement with the*  
 22       *Corporation for National and Community Service to*  
 23       *carry out this section.”; and*

24               (2) *by striking “Foundation” each place it ap-*  
 25       *pears and inserting “administrative organization”.*

1   ***Subtitle K—Amendments to Title V***  
 2   ***(Authorization of Appropriations)***

3   ***SEC. 1841. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.***

4       *Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 12681) is amended—*

5           *(1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the*  
 6       *following:*

7       “(a) *TITLE I.—*

8           “(1) *SUBTITLE B.—*

9               “(A) *IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to*  
 10       *be appropriated to provide financial assistance*  
 11       *under subtitle B of title I—*

12               “(i) *\$97,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;*

13               *and*

14               “(ii) *such sums as may be necessary*  
 15       *for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2014.*

16               “(B) *PART IV RESERVATION.—Of the*  
 17       *amount appropriated under subparagraph (A)*  
 18       *for a fiscal year, 1 percent shall be reserved to*  
 19       *carry out part IV of subtitle B of title I.*

20               “(C) *SECTION 118A.—Of the amount appro-*  
 21       *priated under subparagraph (A) and not re-*  
 22       *served under subparagraph (B) for a fiscal year,*  
 23       *not more than \$7,000,000 shall be made avail-*  
 24       *able for awards to Campuses of Service under*  
 25       *section 118A.*

1           “(D) *SECTION 119(C)(8).*—Of the amount ap-  
 2           propriated under subparagraph (A) and not re-  
 3           served under subparagraph (B) for a fiscal year,  
 4           not more than \$10,000,000 shall be made avail-  
 5           able for summer of service program grants under  
 6           section 119(c)(8), and not more than  
 7           \$10,000,000 shall be deposited in the National  
 8           Service Trust to support summer of service edu-  
 9           cational awards, consistent with section  
 10          119(c)(8).

11          “(E) *SECTION 119(C)(9).*—Of the amount ap-  
 12          propriated under subparagraph (A) and not re-  
 13          served under subparagraph (B) for a fiscal year,  
 14          not more than \$15,000,000 shall be made avail-  
 15          able for youth engagement zone programs under  
 16          section 119(c)(9).

17          “(F) *GENERAL PROGRAMS.*—Of the amount  
 18          remaining after the application of subpara-  
 19          graphs (A) through (E) for a fiscal year—

20               “(i) not more than 60 percent shall be  
 21               available to provide financial assistance  
 22               under part I of subtitle B of title I;

23               “(ii) not more than 25 percent shall be  
 24               available to provide financial assistance  
 25               under part II of such subtitle; and

1                   “(iii) not less than 15 percent shall be  
2                   available to provide financial assistance  
3                   under part III of such subtitle.

4                   “(2) *SUBTITLES C AND D.*—There are authorized  
5                   to be appropriated, for each of fiscal years 2010  
6                   through 2014, such sums as may be necessary to pro-  
7                   vide financial assistance under subtitle C of title I  
8                   and to provide national service educational awards  
9                   under subtitle D of title I for the number of partici-  
10                  pants described in section 121(f)(1) for each such fis-  
11                  cal year.

12                  “(3) *SUBTITLE E.*—

13                   “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—There are authorized to  
14                   be appropriated to operate the National Civilian  
15                   Community Corps and provide financial assist-  
16                   ance under subtitle E of title I, such sums as  
17                   may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2010  
18                   through 2014.

19                   “(B) *PRIORITY.*—Notwithstanding any  
20                   other provision of this Act, in obligating the  
21                   amounts made available pursuant to the author-  
22                   ization of appropriations in this paragraph, pri-  
23                   ority shall be given to programs carrying out ac-  
24                   tivities in areas for which the President has de-  
25                   clared the existence of a major disaster, in ac-

1       *cordance with section 401 of the Robert T. Staf-*  
 2       *ford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance*  
 3       *Act (42 U.S.C. 5170), as a consequence of Hurri-*  
 4       *cane Katrina or Rita.*

5       “(4) *SUBTITLE H.*—

6               “(A) *AUTHORIZATION.*—*There are author-*  
 7       *ized to be appropriated such sums as may be*  
 8       *necessary for each of fiscal years 2010 through*  
 9       *2014 to provide financial assistance under sub-*  
 10       *title H of title I.*

11              “(B) *SECTION 198B.*—*Of the amount au-*  
 12       *thorized under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal*  
 13       *year, such sums as may be necessary shall be*  
 14       *made available to provide financial assistance*  
 15       *under section 198B and to provide national serv-*  
 16       *ice educational awards under subtitle D of title*  
 17       *I to the number of participants in national serv-*  
 18       *ice positions established or increased as provided*  
 19       *in section 198B(b)(3) for such year.*

20              “(C) *SECTION 198C.*—*Of the amount author-*  
 21       *ized under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal year,*  
 22       *\$12,000,000 shall be made available to provide*  
 23       *financial assistance under section 198C.*

24              “(D) *SECTION 198H.*—*Of the amount au-*  
 25       *thorized under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal*

1       year, such sums as may be necessary shall be  
 2       made available to provide financial assistance  
 3       under section 198H.

4               “(E) SECTION 198K.—Of the amount au-  
 5       thorized under subparagraph (A), there shall be  
 6       made available to carry out section 198K—

7                       “(i) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

8                       “(ii) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

9                       “(iii) \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2012;

10                      “(iv) \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2013;

11                      and

12                      “(v) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2014.

13               “(F) SECTION 198P.—Of the amount author-  
 14       ized under subparagraph (A), there shall be  
 15       made available to carry out section 198P—

16                      “(i) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

17                      “(ii) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

18                      “(iii) \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2012;

19                      “(iv) \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2013;

20                      and

21                      “(v) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2014.

22               “(5) ADMINISTRATION.—

23                      “(A) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to  
 24       be appropriated for the administration of this  
 25       Act, including financial assistance under section

1           126(a), \$51,000,000 for fiscal year 2010 and  
 2           such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal  
 3           years 2011 through 2014.

4           “(B) CORPORATION.—Of the amounts ap-  
 5           propriated under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal  
 6           year—

7                   “(i) not more than 69 percent shall be  
 8                   made available to the Corporation for the  
 9                   administration of this Act; and

10                   “(ii) the remainder shall be available  
 11                   to provide financial assistance under sec-  
 12                   tion 126(a).

13           “(6) EVALUATION, TRAINING, AND TECHNICAL  
 14           ASSISTANCE.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1), (2),  
 15           and (4) and any other provision of law, of the  
 16           amounts appropriated for a fiscal year under sub-  
 17           titles B, C, and H of title I of this Act and under  
 18           titles I and II of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act  
 19           of 1973, the Corporation shall reserve not more than  
 20           2.5 percent to carry out sections 112(d) and 179A  
 21           and subtitle J, of which \$1,000,000 shall be used by  
 22           the Corporation to carry out section 179A. Notwith-  
 23           standing subsection (b), amounts so reserved shall be  
 24           available only for the fiscal year for which the  
 25           amounts are reserved.”;

1           (2) *by striking subsections (b) and (d); and*  
 2           (3) *by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection*  
 3        **(b).**

4       **TITLE    II—DOMESTIC    VOLUN-**  
 5       **TEER SERVICE ACT OF 1973**

6       **SEC. 2001. REFERENCES.**

7       *Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in*  
 8       *this title an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of*  
 9       *an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision,*  
 10      *the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or*  
 11      *other provision of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of*  
 12      *1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.).*

13      **SEC. 2002. VOLUNTEERISM POLICY.**

14      *Section 2 (42 U.S.C. 4950) is amended—*

15           (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “both young”*  
 16           *and all that follows through the period and inserting*  
 17           *“individuals of all ages and backgrounds.”; and*

18           (2) *in subsection (b), by inserting after “State,*  
 19           *and local agencies” the following: “, expand relation-*  
 20           *ships with, and support for, the efforts of civic, com-*  
 21           *munity, and educational organizations,”.*



***Subtitle A—National Volunteer  
Antipoverty Programs***

***CHAPTER 1—VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO  
AMERICA***

***SEC. 2101. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.***

*Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 4951) is amended—*

*(1) in the second sentence, by striking “exploit” and all that follows through the period and inserting “increase opportunities for self-advancement by persons affected by such problems.”; and*

*(2) in the third sentence, by striking “at the local level” and all that follows through the period and inserting “at the local level, to support efforts by local agencies and community organizations to achieve long-term sustainability of projects, and to strengthen local agencies and community organizations to carry out the objectives of this part.”.*

***SEC. 2102. SELECTION AND ASSIGNMENT OF VOLUNTEERS.***

*Section 103 (42 U.S.C. 4953) is amended—*

*(1) in subsection (a)—*

*(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,” after “American Samoa,”;*

*(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “handicapped individuals” and all that follows through*

1        *the semicolon and inserting “individuals with*  
 2        *disabilities, especially individuals with severe*  
 3        *disabilities;”;*

4            *(C) in paragraph (3), by striking “the job-*  
 5        *less, the hungry,” and inserting “unemployed in-*  
 6        *dividuals;”;*

7            *(D) in paragraph (4), by striking “preven-*  
 8        *tion, education,” and inserting “through preven-*  
 9        *tion, education, rehabilitation, treatment;”;*

10          *(E) in paragraph (5), by striking “chronic*  
 11        *and life-threatening illnesses” and inserting*  
 12        *“mental illness, chronic and life-threatening ill-*  
 13        *nesses;”;*

14          *(F) in paragraph (6)—*

15            *(i) by striking “Headstart act” and in-*  
 16        *serting “Head Start Act”; and*

17            *(ii) by striking “and” after the semi-*  
 18        *colon at the end;*

19          *(G) in paragraph (7), by striking the period*  
 20        *at the end and inserting a semicolon; and*

21          *(H) by adding at the end the following:*

22          *“(8) in assisting with the reentry and reintegra-*  
 23        *tion of formerly incarcerated youth and adults into*  
 24        *society, including providing training and counseling*  
 25        *in education, employment, and life skills;*

1           “(9) in developing and carrying out financial  
2       *literacy, financial planning, budgeting, saving, and*  
3       *reputable credit accessibility programs in low-income*  
4       *communities, including those programs that educate*  
5       *individuals about financing home ownership and*  
6       *higher education;*

7           “(10) in initiating and supporting before-school  
8       *and after-school programs, serving children in low-in-*  
9       *come communities, that may engage participants in*  
10      *mentoring, tutoring, life skills and study skills pro-*  
11      *grams, service-learning, physical, nutrition, and*  
12      *health education programs, and other activities ad-*  
13      *ressing the needs of the children;*

14          “(11) in establishing and supporting community  
15      *economic development initiatives, with a priority on*  
16      *work on such initiatives in rural areas and the other*  
17      *areas where such initiatives are needed most;*

18          “(12) in assisting veterans and their family  
19      *members through establishing or augmenting pro-*  
20      *grams that assist such persons with access to legal as-*  
21      *sistance, health care (including mental health care),*  
22      *employment counseling or training, education coun-*  
23      *seling or training, affordable housing, and other sup-*  
24      *port services; and*

1           “(13) in addressing the health and wellness of  
 2           individuals in low-income communities and individ-  
 3           uals in underserved communities, including programs  
 4           to increase access to preventive services, insurance,  
 5           and health services.”;

6           (2) in subsection (b)—

7                 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “recruit-  
 8                 ment and placement procedures” and inserting  
 9                 “placement procedures that involve sponsoring  
 10                organizations and”;

11            (B) in paragraph (2)—

12                 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
 13                 “Community Service Trust Act of 1993”  
 14                 and all that follows through the period at  
 15                 the end of the fourth sentence and inserting  
 16                 “Community Service Act of 1990.”;

17                 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
 18                 “central information system that shall, on  
 19                 request, promptly provide” and inserting  
 20                 “database that provides”; and

21                 (iii) in subparagraph (C), in the sec-  
 22                 ond sentence, by inserting “and manage-  
 23                 ment” after “the recruitment”;

24            (C) in paragraph (3), by adding at the end  
 25            the following: “In selecting the volunteers, the

1        *Director shall give priority to low-income*  
 2        *youth.”; and*

3                *(D) in paragraph (5)(B), by striking “in-*  
 4        *formation system” and inserting “database”;*

5        *(3) in subsection (c)—*

6                *(A) in paragraph (1)—*

7                        *(i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting*  
 8        *“the Internet and related technologies,” be-*  
 9        *fore “radio,”;*

10                      *(ii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting*  
 11        *“Internet and related technologies,” before*  
 12        *“print media,”;*

13                      *(iii) in subparagraph (C), by inserting*  
 14        *“State or local offices of economic develop-*  
 15        *ment, State employment security agencies,*  
 16        *employment offices,” before “and other in-*  
 17        *stitutions”;* and

18                      *(iv) in subparagraph (F), by striking*  
 19        *“Community Service Trust Act of 1993”*  
 20        *and inserting “Community Service Act of*  
 21        *1990”;* and

22        *(B) in paragraph (4)—*

23                      *(i) by striking “Beginning in” and all*  
 24        *that follows through “, for” and inserting*  
 25        *“For”;* and

1                   (ii) by striking “1.5 percent” and in-  
2                   serting “2 percent”;

3                   (4) in subsection (d), in the second sentence, by  
4                   striking “private industry council established under  
5                   the Job Training Partnership Act or”;

6                   (5) in subsection (g), in the first sentence, by  
7                   striking “, and such” and all that follows through the  
8                   period and inserting a period; and

9                   (6) by adding at the end the following:

10                  “(i) The Director may enter into agreements under  
11                  which public and private nonprofit organizations, with suf-  
12                  ficient financial capacity and size, pay for all or a portion  
13                  of the costs of supporting the service of volunteers under  
14                  this part.”.

15   **SEC. 2103. SUPPORT SERVICE.**

16                  Section 105(a)(1)(B) (42 U.S.C. 4955(a)(1)(B)) is  
17                  amended—

18                   (1) by striking the first sentence and inserting  
19                   the following: “Such stipend shall be set at a rate that  
20                   is not less than a minimum of \$125 per month and  
21                   not more than a maximum of \$150 per month, subject  
22                   to the availability of funds to provide such a max-  
23                   imum rate.”; and

24                   (2) in the second sentence, by striking “stipend  
25                   of a maximum of \$200 per month” and inserting

1       *“stipend set at a rate that is not more than a max-*  
 2       *imum of \$250 per month”.*

3   **SEC. 2104. REPEAL.**

4       *Section 109 (42 U.S.C. 4959) is repealed.*

5   **CHAPTER 2—UNIVERSITY YEAR FOR VISTA**

6   **SEC. 2121. UNIVERSITY YEAR FOR VISTA.**

7       *Part B of title I (42 U.S.C. 4971 et seq.) is repealed.*

8       **CHAPTER 3—SPECIAL VOLUNTEER**  
 9       **PROGRAMS**

10   **SEC. 2131. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

11       *Section 121 (42 U.S.C. 4991) is amended in the second*  
 12       *sentence by striking “situations” and inserting “organiza-*  
 13       *tions”.*

14   **SEC. 2132. LITERACY CHALLENGE GRANTS.**

15       *Section 124 (42 U.S.C. 4995) is repealed.*

16   **Subtitle B—National Senior Service**  
 17       **Corps**

18   **SEC. 2141. TITLE.**

19       *Title II (42 U.S.C. 5000 et seq.) is amended by strik-*  
 20       *ing the title heading and inserting the following:*

21       *“TITLE II—NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS”.*

22   **SEC. 2142. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

23       *Section 200 (42 U.S.C. 5000) is amended to read as*  
 24       *follows:*

1 **“SEC. 200. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

2 *“It is the purpose of this title to provide—*

3 *“(1) opportunities for senior service to meet*  
4 *unmet local, State, and national needs in the areas*  
5 *of education, public safety, emergency and disaster*  
6 *preparedness, relief, and recovery, health and human*  
7 *needs, and the environment;*

8 *“(2) for the National Senior Service Corps, com-*  
9 *prised of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program,*  
10 *the Foster Grandparent Program, and the Senior*  
11 *Companion Program, and demonstration and other*  
12 *programs to empower people 55 years of age or older*  
13 *to contribute to their communities through service, en-*  
14 *hance the lives of those who serve and those whom*  
15 *they serve, and provide communities with valuable*  
16 *services;*

17 *“(3) opportunities for people 55 years of age or*  
18 *older, through the Retired and Senior Volunteer Pro-*  
19 *gram, to share their knowledge, experiences, abilities,*  
20 *and skills for the betterment of their communities and*  
21 *themselves;*

22 *“(4) opportunities for low-income people 55*  
23 *years of age or older, through the Foster Grand-*  
24 *parents Program, to have a positive impact on the*  
25 *lives of children in need; and*



1           “(5) opportunities for low-income people 55  
 2       years of age or older, through the Senior Companion  
 3       Program, to provide support services and companion-  
 4       ship to other older individuals through volunteer serv-  
 5       ice.”.

6 **SEC. 2143. RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM.**

7       Section 201(a) (42 U.S.C. 5001(a)) is amended—

8           (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by  
 9       striking “avail” and all that follows through “com-  
 10      munity,” and inserting “share their experiences,  
 11      abilities, and skills to improve their communities and  
 12      themselves through service in their communities,”;

13          (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “, and individ-  
 14      uals 60 years of age or older will be given priority  
 15      for enrollment,”; and

16          (3) in paragraph (4)—

17              (A) by striking “established and will be car-  
 18      ried out” and inserting “designed and imple-  
 19      mented”; and

20              (B) by striking “field of service” and all  
 21      that follows through the period at the end and  
 22      inserting “field of service to be provided, as well  
 23      as persons who have expertise in the manage-  
 24      ment of volunteers and the needs of older indi-  
 25      viduals.”.

1 **SEC. 2144. FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM.**

2 *Section 211 (42 U.S.C. 5011) is amended—*

3 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

4 *(A) in the first sentence, by striking “sixty”*

5 *and inserting “55”; and*

6 *(B) in the second sentence, by striking “any*

7 *of a variety of”;*

8 *(2) in subsection (b)—*

9 *(A) in paragraph (1)—*

10 *(i) in the matter preceding subpara-*

11 *graph (A), by striking “shall have” and all*

12 *that follows through “(2) of the subsection”*

13 *and inserting “may determine”;*

14 *(ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking*

15 *“and” after the semicolon at the end;*

16 *(iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking*

17 *the period at the end and inserting “; and”;*

18 *and*

19 *(iv) by adding at the end the following:*

20 *“(C) whether it is in the best interest of the child*

21 *receiving, and the particular foster grandparent pro-*

22 *viding, services in such a project, to continue the rela-*

23 *tionship between the child and the grandparent under*

24 *this part after the child reaches the age of 21, if such*

25 *child is an individual with a disability who was re-*

1       ceiving such services prior to attaining the age of  
2       21.”;

3               (B) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting  
4       the following:

5       “(2) If an assignment of a foster grandparent under  
6 this part is suspended or discontinued, the replacement of  
7 that foster grandparent shall be determined in a manner  
8 consistent with paragraph (3).”;

9               (3) in subsection (d), by striking “\$2.45 per  
10 hour” and all that follows through “five cents, except”  
11 and inserting “\$3.00 per hour, except”;

12              (4) in subsection (e)—

13                   (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “125 per  
14 centum” and inserting “200 percent”; and

15                   (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “per cen-  
16 tum” and inserting “percent”; and

17              (5) in subsection (f)(1)—

18                   (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “sub-  
19 paragraphs (B) and (C)” and inserting “sub-  
20 paragraph (B)”; and

21                   (B) by striking subparagraph (C).

22 **SEC. 2145. SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM.**

23       Section 213(a) (42 U.S.C. 5013(a)) is amended by  
24 striking “60” and inserting “55”.

1 **SEC. 2146. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

2 (a) *PROMOTION OF NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE*  
 3 *CORPS.*—Section 221 (42 U.S.C. 5021) is amended—

4 (1) *in the section heading, by striking “VOLUN-*  
 5 *TEER” and inserting “SERVICE”; and*

6 (2) *in subsection (b)(2), by striking “participa-*  
 7 *tion of volunteers” and inserting “participation of*  
 8 *volunteers of all ages and backgrounds, living in*  
 9 *urban or rural communities”.*

10 (b) *MINORITY POPULATION PARTICIPATION.*—Section  
 11 223 (42 U.S.C. 5023) is amended—

12 (1) *in the section heading, by striking “GROUP”*  
 13 *and inserting “POPULATION”; and*

14 (2) *by striking “sixty years and older from mi-*  
 15 *nority groups” and inserting “55 years and older*  
 16 *from minority populations”.*

17 (c) *USE OF LOCALLY GENERATED CONTRIBUTIONS IN*  
 18 *NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS.*—Section 224 (42  
 19 U.S.C. 5024) is amended—

20 (1) *in the section heading, by striking “VOLUN-*  
 21 *TEER” and inserting “SERVICE”; and*

22 (2) *by striking “Volunteer Corps” and inserting*  
 23 *“Service Corps”.*

24 (d) *NATIONAL PROBLEMS OF LOCAL CONCERN.*—Sec-  
 25 *tion 225 (42 U.S.C. 5025) is amended—*

26 (1) *in subsection (b)—*

1           (A) in paragraph (2), by inserting “through  
2           education, prevention, treatment, and rehabilita-  
3           tion” before the period at the end;

4           (B) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting  
5           the following:

6           “(4) Programs that establish and support men-  
7           toring programs for low-income youth, including  
8           mentoring programs that match such youth with  
9           mentors and match such youth with employment and  
10          training programs, including apprenticeship pro-  
11          grams.”;

12          (C) in paragraph (5), by inserting “, in-  
13          cluding literacy programs that serve youth, and  
14          adults, with limited English proficiency” before  
15          the period at the end;

16          (D) by striking paragraphs (6) and (7) and  
17          inserting the following:

18          “(6) Programs that provide respite care, includ-  
19          ing care for elderly individuals and for children and  
20          individuals with disabilities or chronic illnesses who  
21          are living at home.

22          “(7) Programs that provide before-school and  
23          after-school activities, serving children in low-income  
24          communities, that may engage participants in men-  
25          toring relationships, tutoring, life skills, and study

1 *skills programs, service-learning, physical, nutrition,*  
 2 *and health education programs, and other activities*  
 3 *addressing the needs of the children in the commu-*  
 4 *nities, including children of working parents.”;*

5 *(E) by striking paragraph (8);*

6 *(F) by redesignating paragraphs (9)*  
 7 *through (15) as paragraphs (8) through (14), re-*  
 8 *spectively;*

9 *(G) in paragraph (10) (as redesignated by*  
 10 *subparagraph (F))—*

11 *(i) by striking “educationally dis-*  
 12 *advantaged children” and inserting “stu-*  
 13 *dents”; and*

14 *(ii) by striking “the basic skills of such*  
 15 *children” and inserting “the academic*  
 16 *achievement of such students”;*

17 *(H) by striking paragraph (11) (as redesign-*  
 18 *ated by subparagraph (F)) and inserting the*  
 19 *following:*

20 *“(11) Programs that engage older individuals*  
 21 *with children and youth to complete service in energy*  
 22 *conservation, environmental stewardship, or other en-*  
 23 *vironmental needs of a community.”;*

1                   (I) by striking paragraph (14) (as redesignig-  
 2                   nated by subparagraph (F)) and inserting the  
 3                   following:

4                   “(14) Programs in which the grant recipients in-  
 5                   volved collaborate with criminal justice professionals  
 6                   and organizations in order to provide prevention pro-  
 7                   grams that serve low-income youth or youth reen-  
 8                   tering society after incarceration and their families,  
 9                   which prevention programs may include mentoring,  
 10                  counseling, or employment counseling.”;

11                  (J) by striking paragraph (16); and

12                  (K) by redesignating paragraphs (17) and  
 13                  (18) as paragraphs (15) and (16), respectively;

14                  (2) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting ,“and that  
 15                  such applicant has expertise applicable to imple-  
 16                  menting the proposed program for which the appli-  
 17                  cant is requesting the grant” before the period at the  
 18                  end; and

19                  (3) in subsection (e), by inserting “widely” after  
 20                  “shall”.

21                  (e) ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS.—Part D of title II  
 22                  (42 U.S.C. 5021 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
 23                  the following:

1 **“SEC. 228. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS.**

2       “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided in subsection*  
 3 *(b), an entity receiving assistance under this title may ac-*  
 4 *cept donations, including donations in cash or in kind fair-*  
 5 *ly evaluated, including plant, equipment, or services.*

6       “(b) *EXCEPTION.*—*An entity receiving assistance*  
 7 *under this title to carry out an activity shall not accept*  
 8 *donations from the beneficiaries of the activity.”.*

9       ***Subtitle C—Administration and***  
 10       ***Coordination***

11 **SEC. 2151. SPECIAL LIMITATIONS.**

12       *Section 404(a) (42 U.S.C. 5044(a)) is amended by in-*  
 13 *serting “or other volunteers (not including participants*  
 14 *under this Act and the National and Community Service*  
 15 *Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.),” after “employed*  
 16 *workers” both places such term appears.*

17 **SEC. 2152. EVALUATION.**

18       *Section 416 (42 U.S.C. 5056) is amended—*

19               *(1) in subsection (a), in the first sentence, by*  
 20       *striking “(including” and all that follows through “3*  
 21       *years)”;* and

22               *(2) in subsection (f)(3), by striking “Committee*  
 23       *on Education and Labor of the House of Representa-*  
 24       *tives and the Committee on Labor and Human Re-*  
 25       *sources of the Senate” and inserting “authorizing*  
 26       *committees”.*



1 **SEC. 2153. DEFINITIONS.**

2 *Section 421 (42 U.S.C. 5061) is amended—*

3 *(1) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, the Com-*  
 4 *monwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,” after*  
 5 *“American Samoa”;*

6 *(2) by striking paragraph (7);*

7 *(3) in paragraph (13), by striking “Volunteer*  
 8 *Corps” and inserting “Service Corps”;*

9 *(4) in paragraph (14), by striking “Volunteer*  
 10 *Corps” and inserting “Service Corps”;*

11 *(5) by redesignating paragraphs (8) through (20)*  
 12 *as paragraphs (7) through (19), respectively;*

13 *(6) in paragraph (18) (as redesignated by para-*  
 14 *graph (5)), by striking “and” after the semicolon at*  
 15 *the end;*

16 *(7) in paragraph (19) (as redesignated by para-*  
 17 *graph (5)), by striking the period at the end and in-*  
 18 *serting “; and”; and*

19 *(8) by adding at the end the following:*

20 *“(20) the term ‘authorizing committees’ means*  
 21 *the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and*  
 22 *Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on Edu-*  
 23 *cation and Labor of the House of Representatives.”.*

1 **SEC. 2154. PROTECTION AGAINST IMPROPER USE.**

2       Section 425 (42 U.S.C. 5065) is amended, in the mat-  
3 ter following paragraph (2), by striking “Volunteer Corps”  
4 and inserting “Service Corps”.

5 **SEC. 2155. PROVISIONS UNDER THE NATIONAL AND COM-**  
6 **MUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990.**

7       Title IV (42 U.S.C. 5043 et seq.) is amended by adding  
8 at the end the following:

9 **“SEC. 426. PROVISIONS UNDER THE NATIONAL AND COM-**  
10 **MUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990.**

11       “The Corporation shall carry out this Act in accord-  
12 ance with the provisions of this Act and the relevant provi-  
13 sions of the National and Community Service Act of 1990  
14 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.), particularly the provisions of sec-  
15 tion 122 and subtitle F of title I of the National and Com-  
16 munity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12572, 12631 et seq.)  
17 relating to the national service laws.”.

18 ***Subtitle D—Authorization of***  
19 ***Appropriations***

20 **SEC. 2161. AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

21       (a) NATIONAL VOLUNTEER ANTIPOVERTY PRO-  
22 GRAMS.—Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 5081) is amended—

23               (1) in subsection (a), by striking paragraphs (1)  
24 through (4) and inserting the following:

25               “(1) VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO AMERICA.—  
26       There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out

1        *parts A and B of title I \$100,000,000 for fiscal year*  
 2        *2010 and such sums as may be necessary for each of*  
 3        *fiscal years 2011 through 2014.*

4            “(2) *SPECIAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS.*—*There*  
 5        *are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part*  
 6        *C of title I such sums as may be necessary for each*  
 7        *of fiscal years 2010 through 2014.’; and*

8            *(2) in subsection (e)—*

9            *(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “sections*  
 10        *104(e) and 109” and inserting “section 104(e);*  
 11        *and*

12            *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “relevant*  
 13        *authorizing and appropriations committees of*  
 14        *Congress” and inserting “authorizing committees*  
 15        *and relevant appropriations committees of Con-*  
 16        *gress”.*

17        *(b) NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS.*—*Section 502*  
 18        *(42 U.S.C. 5082) is amended to read as follows:*

19        **“SEC. 502. NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS.**

20            *“(a) RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM.—*  
 21        *There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part*  
 22        *A of title II, \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, and such*  
 23        *sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2011*  
 24        *through 2014.*

1       “(b) *FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM.*—*There are*  
 2 *authorized to be appropriated to carry out part B of title*  
 3 *II, \$115,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, and such sums as*  
 4 *may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2011 through*  
 5 *2014.*

6       “(c) *SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM.*—*There are au-*  
 7 *thorized to be appropriated to carry out part C of title II,*  
 8 *\$55,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, and such sums as may*  
 9 *be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2011 through 2014.*

10       “(d) *DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS.*—*There are author-*  
 11 *ized to be appropriated to carry out part E of title II, such*  
 12 *sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2010*  
 13 *through 2014.”.*

14       (c) *ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION.*—*Section*  
 15 *504 (42 U.S.C. 5084) is amended—*

16               (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “fiscal years*  
 17 *1994 through 1996” and inserting “fiscal years 2010*  
 18 *through 2014”; and*

19               (2) *in subsection (b), by striking “fiscal years*  
 20 *1994 through 1996” and inserting “fiscal years 2010*  
 21 *through 2014”.*

1 **TITLE III—TECHNICAL AMEND-**  
 2 **MENTS TO TABLES OF CON-**  
 3 **TENTS**

4 **SEC. 3101. TABLE OF CONTENTS OF THE NATIONAL AND**  
 5 **COMMUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990.**

6 *Section 1(b) of the National and Community Service*  
 7 *Act of 1990 is amended to read as follows:*

8 “(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.*—*The table of contents of*  
 9 *this Act is as follows:*

“*Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.*

“*Sec. 2. Findings and purpose.*

“**TITLE I—NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE STATE GRANT  
PROGRAM**

“*Subtitle A—General Provisions*

“*Sec. 101. Definitions.*

“*Sec. 102. Authority to make State grants.*

“*Subtitle B—School-Based and Community-Based Service-Learning Programs*

“**PART I—PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS**

“*Sec. 111. Purpose.*

“*Sec. 111A. Definitions.*

“*Sec. 112. Assistance to States, territories, and Indian tribes.*

“*Sec. 112A. Allotments.*

“*Sec. 113. Applications.*

“*Sec. 114. Consideration of applications.*

“*Sec. 115. Participation of students and teachers from private schools.*

“*Sec. 116. Federal, State, and local contributions.*

“*Sec. 117. Limitations on uses of funds.*

“**PART II—HIGHER EDUCATION INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS FOR COMMUNITY  
SERVICE**

“*Sec. 118. Higher education innovative programs for community service.*

“*Sec. 118A. Campuses of Service.*

“**PART III—INNOVATIVE AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE-LEARNING  
PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH**

“*Sec. 119. Innovative and community-based service-learning programs and re-*  
*search.*

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1 **SEC. 3102. TABLE OF CONTENTS OF THE DOMESTIC VOLUN-**  
 2 **TEER SERVICE ACT OF 1973.**

3 *Section 1(b) of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of*  
 4 *1973 is amended to read as follows:*

5 “(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of*  
 6 *this Act is as follows:*

“*Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.*

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*programs.*

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“*Sec. 201. Grants and contracts for volunteer service projects.*

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“*Sec. 221. Promotion of National Senior Service Corps.*

“*Sec. 222. Payments.*

“*Sec. 223. Minority population participation.*

*“Sec. 224. Use of locally generated contributions in National Senior Service Corps.*

*“Sec. 225. Programs of national significance.*

*“Sec. 226. Adjustments to Federal financial assistance.*

*“Sec. 227. Multiyear grants or contracts.*

*“Sec. 228. Acceptance of donations.*

#### *“PART E—DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS*

*“Sec. 231. Authority of Director.*

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*“Sec. 403. Political activities.*

*“Sec. 404. Special limitations.*

*“Sec. 406. Labor standards.*

*“Sec. 408. Joint funding.*

*“Sec. 409. Prohibition of Federal control.*

*“Sec. 410. Coordination with other programs.*

*“Sec. 411. Prohibition.*

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*“Sec. 414. Distribution of benefits between rural and urban areas.*

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*“Sec. 417. Nondiscrimination provisions.*

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*“Sec. 421. Definitions.*

*“Sec. 422. Audit.*

*“Sec. 423. Reduction of paperwork.*

*“Sec. 424. Review of project renewals.*

*“Sec. 425. Protection against improper use.*

*“Sec. 426. Provisions under the National and Community Service Act of 1990.*

#### *“TITLE V—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS*

*“Sec. 501. National volunteer antipoverty programs.*

*“Sec. 502. National Senior Service Corps.*

*“Sec. 504. Administration and coordination.*

*“Sec. 505. Availability of appropriations.*

#### *“TITLE VI—AMENDMENTS TO OTHER LAWS AND REPEALERS*

*“Sec. 601. Supersedence of Reorganization Plan No. 1 of July 1, 1971.*

*“Sec. 602. Creditable service for civil service retirement.*

*“Sec. 603. Repeal of title VIII of the Economic Opportunity Act.*

*“Sec. 604. Repeal of title VI of the Older Americans Act.”.*

1       ***TITLE IV—AMENDMENTS TO***  
 2                   ***OTHER LAWS***

3   ***SEC. 4101. INSPECTOR GENERAL ACT OF 1978.***

4       *Section 8F(a)(1) of the Inspector General Act of 1978*  
 5 *(5 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking “National and*  
 6 *Community Service Trust Act of 1993” and inserting “Na-*  
 7 *tional and Community Service Act of 1990”.*

8       ***TITLE V—VOLUNTEERS FOR***  
 9                   ***PROSPERITY PROGRAM***

10 ***SEC. 5101. FINDINGS.***

11       *Congress makes the following findings:*

12           *(1) Americans engaged in international volun-*  
 13 *teer service, and the organizations deploying them—*

14                   *(A) play critical roles in responding to the*  
 15 *needs of people living throughout the developing*  
 16 *world; and*

17                   *(B) advance the international public diplo-*  
 18 *macy of the United States.*

19           *(2) The Volunteers for Prosperity Program has*  
 20 *successfully promoted international volunteer service*  
 21 *by skilled American professionals.*

22           *(3) In its first 4 years, the VfP Program helped*  
 23 *to mobilize 74,000 skilled Americans, including doc-*  
 24 *tors, nurses, engineers, businesspeople, and teachers,*  
 25 *through a network of 250 nonprofit organizations and*

1        *companies in the United States, to carry out develop-*  
 2        *ment and humanitarian efforts for those affected by*  
 3        *great global challenges in health, the environment,*  
 4        *poverty, illiteracy, financial literacy, disaster relief,*  
 5        *and other challenges.*

6            *(4) The VfP Program has undertaken activities,*  
 7        *including—*

8            *(A) direct outreach to leading nonprofit or-*  
 9        *ganizations and companies in the United States;*

10          *(B) promotion of the work of skilled Ameri-*  
 11        *cans and nonprofit organizations and companies*  
 12        *in the United States as it relates to inter-*  
 13        *national volunteer service;*

14          *(C) public recognition of skilled American*  
 15        *volunteers;*

16          *(D) support for organizations that utilize*  
 17        *skilled Americans as volunteers;*

18          *(E) participation in the development of spe-*  
 19        *cial initiatives to further opportunities for*  
 20        *skilled Americans; and*

21          *(F) leadership of an innovative public-pri-*  
 22        *vate partnership to provide eligible skilled with*  
 23        *financial assistance for volunteer assignments.*

24    **SEC. 5102. DEFINITIONS.**

25        *In this title:*

1           (1) *VFP OFFICE.*—*The term “VfP Office” means*  
 2           *the Office of Volunteers for Prosperity of the United*  
 3           *States Agency for International Development.*

4           (2) *VFP PROGRAM.*—*The term “VfP Program”*  
 5           *means the Volunteers for Prosperity Program estab-*  
 6           *lished through Executive Order 13317.*

7           (3) *VFP SERVE.*—*The term “VfPServe” means a*  
 8           *program established by the VfP Office, in cooperation*  
 9           *with the USA Freedom Corps and the Global Giving*  
 10          *Foundation, to provide eligible skilled professionals*  
 11          *with fixed amount stipends to offset the travel and*  
 12          *living costs of volunteering abroad.*

13   **SEC. 5103. OFFICE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY.**

14          (a) *FUNCTIONS.*—*The VfP Office shall pursue the ob-*  
 15          *jectives of the VfP Program described in subsection (b) by—*

16               (1) *implementing the VfPServe Program to pro-*  
 17               *vide eligible skilled professionals with fixed amount*  
 18               *stipends to offset the travel and living expenses of vol-*  
 19               *unteering abroad with nonprofit organizations;*

20               (2) *otherwise promoting short- and long-term*  
 21               *international volunteer service by skilled American*  
 22               *professionals, including connecting such professionals*  
 23               *with nonprofit organizations, to achieve such objec-*  
 24               *tives;*

1           (3) *helping nonprofit organizations in the*  
 2           *United States recruit and effectively manage addi-*  
 3           *tional skilled American professionals for volunteer as-*  
 4           *signments throughout the developing world;*

5           (4) *providing recognition for skilled American*  
 6           *volunteers and the organizations deploying them;*

7           (5) *helping nonprofit organizations and corpora-*  
 8           *tions in the United States to identify resources and*  
 9           *opportunities in international volunteer service uti-*  
 10          *lizing skilled Americans;*

11          (6) *encouraging the establishment of inter-*  
 12          *national volunteer programs for employees of United*  
 13          *States corporations; and*

14          (7) *encouraging international voluntary service*  
 15          *by highly skilled Americans to promote health and*  
 16          *prosperity throughout the world.*

17          (b) *VFP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.*—*The objectives of the*  
 18          *Vfp Program shall be to—*

19               (1) *eliminate extreme poverty;*

20               (2) *reduce world hunger and malnutrition;*

21               (3) *increase access to safe potable water;*

22               (4) *enact universal education;*

23               (5) *reduce child mortality and childhood dis-*  
 24               *eases;*

1           (6) *combat the spread of preventable diseases, in-*  
 2           *cluding HIV, malaria, and tuberculosis;*

3           (7) *provide educational and work skill support*  
 4           *for girls and empowering women to achieve independ-*  
 5           *ence;*

6           (8) *create sustainable business and entrepre-*  
 7           *neurial opportunities; and*

8           (9) *increase access to information technology.*

9           (c) *VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY SERVICE INCEN-*  
 10          *TIVE PROGRAM.—*

11           (1) *IN GENERAL.—The VfP Office may provide*  
 12           *fixed amount stipends to offset the travel and living*  
 13           *costs of volunteering abroad to any individual who—*

14                   (A) *has skills relevant to addressing any ob-*  
 15                   *jective described in subsection (b); and*

16                   (B) *provides a dollar-for-dollar match for*  
 17                   *such stipend—*

18                           (i) *through the organization with*  
 19                           *which the individual is serving; or*

20                           (ii) *by raising private funds.*

21           (2) *NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENT.—The*  
 22           *VfP Office may not provide a stipend to an indi-*  
 23           *vidual under paragraph (1) unless the nonprofit or-*  
 24           *ganization to which the individual is assigned has*  
 25           *certified to the VfP Office that it does not discrimi-*

1        *nate with respect to any project or activity receiving*  
 2        *Federal financial assistance, including a stipend*  
 3        *under this title, because of race, religion, color, na-*  
 4        *tional origin, sex, political affiliation, or beliefs.*

5            (3) *COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE CAT-*  
 6        *EGORIES.—Service carried out by a volunteer receiv-*  
 7        *ing funds under this section may not provide a direct*  
 8        *benefit to any—*

9                    (A) *business organized for profit;*

10                   (B) *labor union;*

11                   (C) *partisan political organization; or*

12                   (D) *religious or faith-based organization for*  
 13        *the purpose of proselytization, worship or any*  
 14        *other explicitly religious activity.*

15        (d) *FUNDING.—*

16            (1) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in*  
 17        *consultation with the Administrator of the United*  
 18        *States Agency for International Development, shall*  
 19        *make available the amounts appropriated pursuant to*  
 20        *section 5104 to the VfP Office to pursue the objectives*  
 21        *described in subsection (b) by carrying out the func-*  
 22        *tions described in subsection (a).*

23            (2) *USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts made available*  
 24        *under paragraph (1) may be used by the VfP Office*  
 25        *to provide personnel and other resources to develop,*



1       manage, and expand the VfP Program, under the su-  
 2       pervision of the United States Agency for Inter-  
 3       national Development.

4       (e) *COORDINATION.*—The VfP Office shall coordinate  
 5       its efforts with other public and private efforts that aim  
 6       to send skilled professionals to serve in developing nations.

7       (f) *REPORT.*—The VfP Office shall submit an annual  
 8       report to Congress on the activities of the VfP Office.

9       **SEC. 5104. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

10       (a) *IN GENERAL.*—There are authorized to be appro-  
 11       priated to carry out this title \$10,000,000 for each of the  
 12       fiscal years 2010 through 2014.

13       (b) *ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.*—Of the amounts appro-  
 14       priated pursuant to subsection (a)—

15               (1) 90 percent shall be expended to expand  
 16       VfPServe; and

17               (2) 10 percent shall be expended to manage the  
 18       VfP Program.

19       **TITLE VI—EFFECTIVE DATE**

20       **SEC. 6101. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

21       Unless specifically provided otherwise, the amend-  
 22       ments made by this Act shall take effect on the date of enact-  
 23       ment of this Act.

1 **SEC. 6102. SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS AND AGREEMENTS.**

2       (a) *SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS.*—Changes pursuant to  
3 *this Act in the terms and conditions of terms of service and*  
4 *other service assignments under the national service laws*  
5 *(including the amount of the national service educational*  
6 *award) shall apply only to individuals who enroll in or*  
7 *otherwise begin service assignments later than 90 days after*  
8 *the date of enactment of this Act, except when a different*  
9 *date is agreed upon by all interested parties.*

10       (b) *AGREEMENTS.*—Changes pursuant to this Act in  
11 *the terms and conditions of grants, contracts, or other agree-*  
12 *ments under the national service laws shall apply only to*  
13 *such agreements entered into later than 90 days after the*  
14 *date of enactment of this Act, except when a different date*  
15 *is agreed upon by the parties to such agreements.*

16       (c) *DEFINITION.*—In this section, the term “national  
17 *service laws*” has the meaning given the term in section  
18 *101 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990*  
19 *(42 U.S.C. 12511).*



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